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"Musical Chairs" Possible

Politicians Eager to Seek Panetta's Seat

By Stan Hall

Even before anything was official, local politicians were lining up to try to succeed Rep. Leon Panetta if he gives up his House seat to join the new Clinton Administration.

A decision by Panetta to to accept a job as director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), as widely speculated, could touch off a game of musical chairs among local politicians stretching from the House of Representatives, to the state legislature and the supervisors' chambers and possibly even some city halls.

"It would be an interesting race, an open race with no incumbent, and several people could move up as a result of it," said Assemblyman Sam Farr.

Farr, a Carmel Democrat, was one of those acknowledging he was watching the situation carefully and would be interested in making the race.

Supervisor Barbara Shipnuck, a Salinas Democrat, was open and enthusiastic about her aspirations to succeed Panetta should he vacate the seat he has held for 16 years, as was Bill McCampbell on the Republican side.

Supervisor Sam Karas, a Monterey Democrat, said he would be interested, but not if Shipnuck or Farr sought the job.

Other Republicans whose names surfaced as possible candidates in the *Sun's* discussions with area politicians included Supervisor Judy Pennycook, Gary Patton of Santa Cruz and former State Assemblywoman Carol Hallett, now serving as head of the Customs Service who was said still to have a home in the 17th Congressional district from which she could run.

Farr said he was not surprised that Shipnuck was eager to seek a Congressional seat, noting that she might lose her Salinas supervisors' district in a re-drawing of boundaries following the 1990 census.

Asked about widespread speculation that Panetta would join President-elect Bill Clinton's administration, Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman said she hoped he would continue in Congress. At first, she said "it's much too early" to speculate about what might happen with Panetta's seat. Later in the conversation, she said, "If there was something solid (word that Panetta was leaving), then maybe I'd take a look at it."

She was asked if she would be interested in seeking a state assembly seat if Farr should run for Panetta's job. "Perhaps" at the appropriate time, she said, adding that the assembly is more attractive to her now that state voters have imposed term limits which will erode its seniority system. But she added that she still would like to see reform of state political campaign financing laws and the

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SANTA CLAUS ARRIVED IN CARMEL Friday night just on time for the traditional lighting of the city's Christmas tree on Ocean Avenue at Devendorf Park. Mayor Ken White and Councilwomen Barbara Livingston and Barbara Brooks greeted the crowd with carols. At left is KMST weatherman Alan Richmond who was master of ceremonies. *Sun photo by Stan Hall*

Carmel Holds Line on Wages

After months of negotiations, the Carmel City Council Tuesday approved a labor settlement for three-quarters of its employees that holds the line on salaries and cost of living increases for fiscal 1992-93. The total cost of salaries and benefits for the city staff of 94 positions is $5,351,155.

The primary financial impact, according to Personnel Director Jerry Pullen, is an 11.5 percent increase in the funding levels of the Health Protection Plan, approved in September as part of the budget. The total amount budgeted for health insurance was $560,419.

The General Employees Union with 45 employees, the eight-member Firefighters Association and the 12-member Management Association all agreed to terms of the package. Still to settle was the 29-member Police Association. The agreements were on the consent calendar which passed unanimously and without an individual vote.

Pullen said, "each formal agreement reflects sacrifices that will be made by each employee in these uncertain fiscal times."

Included in the Management Association are Police Chief Jack McGilvray and Capt. Don Fuselier and the vacant city administrator's position for the four months of the current budget that it is expected to be filled. The chief's position is funded at $4,357 to $5,296 monthly, Fuselier at $3,696 to $4,494 and the administrator at $6,250. The city does not disclose actual salaries.

There were some other changes in the contract but, in an interview Pullen said he could not estimate their economic impact. The agreement increases general leave hours from one to two shifts. The leave must be used within the fiscal year and does not accrue, he said.

The longevity merit program had required that an employee have served 10 years and be given a "highly satisfactory" performance evaluation in order to receive a $1,200 annual bonus. Employees now are eligible for the money if they receive "a

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Emotions Run High as Zoning Approved, Tree Postponed

By Isabelle Hall

The tension was palpable Tuesday night as the City Council gave final approval to changes in commercial zoning after more than two years of controversy despite a call to let the issue be decided by a referendum.

An even more emotional dispute, described by one participant as "tree mania," over whether trees or people were more important in heavily forested Carmel was put off until the Jan. 5 meeting.

Peter Levy of San Francisco wants a permit to cut down a 65-year-old pine tree that is growing into the foundation and eaves of his turn-of-the-century house, but his request generated heated opposition.

In other action, an Historic Preservation Ordinance which requires owner approval before a property can come under its strict provisions was given first reading and conceptual approval of a Trip Reduction Ordinance (TRO) mandated by the state also passed 5-0.

The zoning ordinance which takes effect Jan. 8 extends the Central Commercial (CC) zone from the middle of the blocks in the downtown area south of Ocean Avenue to Seventh Avenue and makes major changes aimed at simplifying the complex process of getting business licenses to operate in Carmel. It passed 4-1 with just Councilwoman Barbara Livingston opposed.

"You have before you an issue that has proven to be too controversial to be decided without a vote of the people," Al Eisner, former owner of the *Pine Cone*, told the council.

"I take great exception to the former speaker's remarks," said former Planning Commission Chair Carla Ramsey. "I don't remember seeing him at any of our meetings."

Eisner said later he and a group of people described by one source as people who used to hold office in Carmel would meet to decide what to do. A petition calling for a referendum would take about 400 names. Eisner and other members of the group lobbied council members in advance of the vote to change their minds, some council members told the *Sun*.

Sitting silently side by side in the hall outside the crowded chambers were David Maradei, president of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA), and Alan Williams, spokesman for Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG), which took opposite sides on the issue. Maradei, however said he would take no position unless directed by the CRA board which, according to in-

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Storms Soak Area, Spawn Rare Wind

December brought the region an early Yule present from back-to-back rainstorms, but they also spawned unusually violent weather and left the least moisture where it was needed most—in the upper Carmel River watershed.

Some gauges at Yankee Point and on the South Coast recorded more than 7 inches from the rainfall that began Dec. 3 and continued almost daily through Dec. 9, with the exception of Dec. 5.

The storm that swept the peninsula late Sunday night also spawned what was believed to be a very rare tornado which uprooted or broke 30 to 40 trees on the Old Del Monte Golf Course in Monterey.

In Carmel, former Chair Carla Ramsey of the city Planning Commission wondered whether a funnel cloud might have touched down there, too. She said the storm blew her fence away at Ninth and Monte Verde about 5 p.m.—about the same time the golf course was damaged.

Meteorologist Robert Renard of Monterey said another big storm was likely Thursday night and Friday. He said it should be a significant storm with strong wind and heavy rain, but likely would be of short duration.

The first two storms to sweep the area in December dropped lighter rainfall in Carmel Valley Village and at San Clemente reservoir, which are in the heart of the Carmel River watershed.

Weather observer Graham Matthews said he had measured a total of 1.58 inches in the month as of Wednesday morning at his Carmel Valley Village home. That brought total precipitation in the rain year which began July 1 to 2.25 inches, he said,

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LETTERS

Carmel Library Hours Explained

The Board of the Harrison Memorial Library (HML) is always glad to explain present library policy on hours of operation. (The hiring of library personnel, who are city employees, is subject to the jurisdiction of the city administrator and city council within the limits of city budget.)

We regret changing familiar library hours. But the loss of nine full-and part-time staff positions from recent city budget reduction requires an adjustment in the hours per week the library can remain open.

The schedule in effect as of Nov. 1 is based on a statistical analysis of periods of greatest, and least, library use; and on the availability of professional staff and volunteers in accordance with contract agreements and insurance liability on library properties.

In addition to Harrison Main, we operate Park Branch. As many as 3,000 patrons a month use this facility. The Park Branch building was renovated entirely with private endowment funds restricted for capital development. Park Branch now provides for youth and children's services; programs for area schools; the Henry Meade Williams Local History Room archives and museum; public programs featuring local and regional history; staff and administrative functions; processing and repair of books; and Carmel Public Library Foundation office.

It has been painful to lose totally all County funds once received for our services to county residents, after so many admirable years of city-county cooperation. (At one point such funds amounted to over $90,000 a year.) It has also been very painful to lose nine highly efficient and valued members from a veteran staff. Our remaining staff, in all categories, now perform extra duties—at usual high standards. We are grateful to them for this effort and loyalty.

Any reduction in library convenience to the community is regrettable especially for those many city, and county residents who use and generously contribute to Harrison Library.

We thank those patrons for their cooperation with necessarily reduced hours. To help meet some of these challenges, the HML board created three years ago the Carmel Public Library Foundation (CPLF) as a fundraising agency. Contributions to its campaign for annual giving (now in progress) supply all of HML's new fiction, non-fiction, magazines, newspapers and talking books.

Planning for the long-term future, CPLF also functions to seek out, receive and administer endowment funds. Income from endowment will support in perpetuity the costs for books, acquisitions, programs and materials essential to maintain HML as a quality full-service community library.

For many years we have been grateful for the sustained assistance of the Friends of Harrison Memorial Library. They have been our oldest and fondest allies, our best connection to the grass-roots of the community.

The CPLF, in three short years, has established itself and added energetic community leaders to its board. The CPLF's annual financial statement, like HML's, is available for public inspection. Its officers and staff invite your interest and questions.

Public support for the CPLF is the best present means for helping Harrison Library through a difficult transition and into a more stable, healthy future.

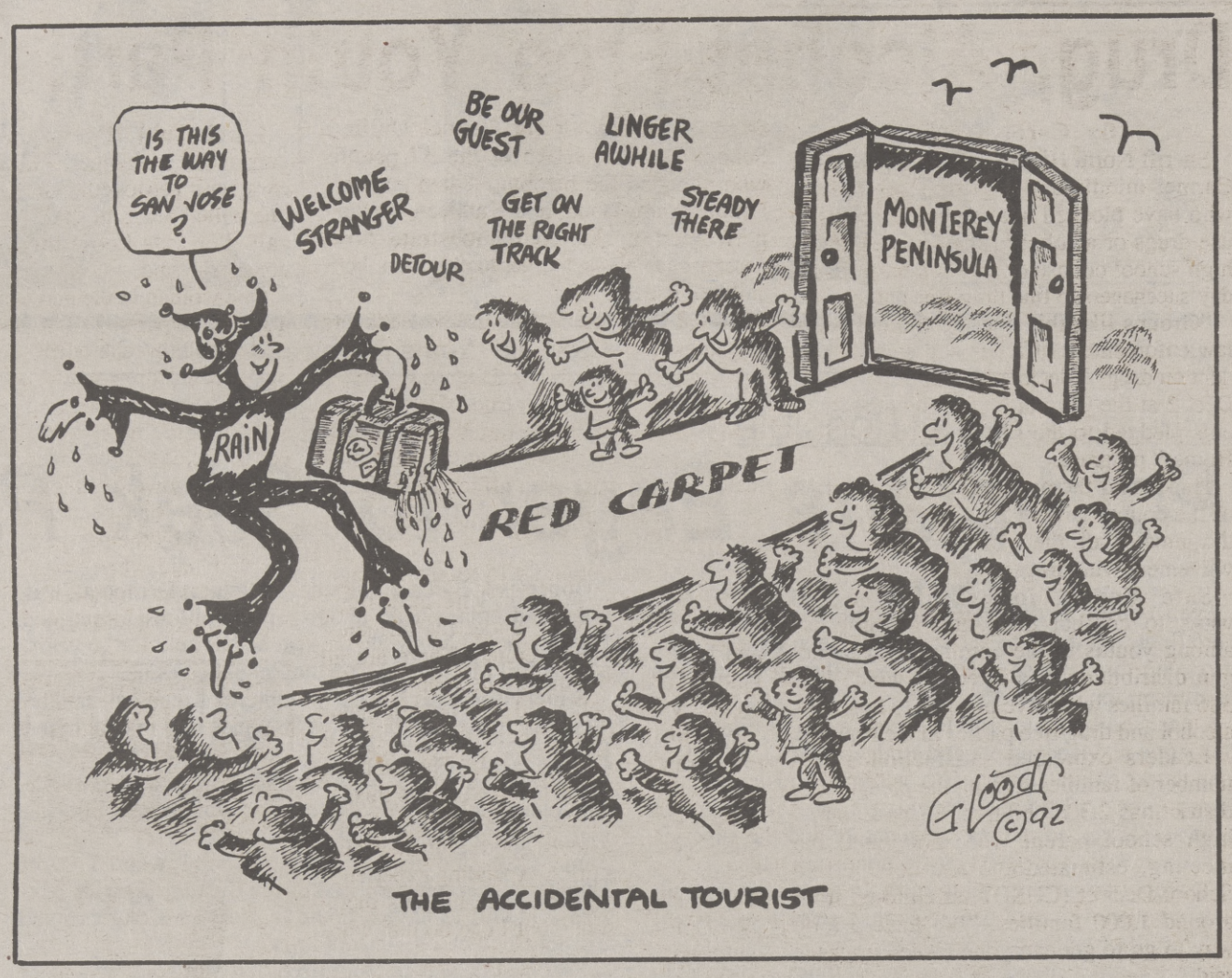
John Hicks, president
Harrison Memorial Library

Brooks Not CBA Member

The article written by Isabelle Hall about Barbara Brooks in the Dec. 3 issue had an erroneous statement attributed to Councilwoman Brooks. The Carmel Business Association, a non-political association of business people in our community, frequently is delighted to have our elected officials, including Barbara Brooks, attend Carmel Business Association functions. However, while we appreciate her interest and attendance at these meetings, Barbara is not now nor has she ever been a member of the Carmel Business Association.

Thank you for your continued excellent reporting and contributions to our community.

Toni Doyle Jepson, executive director,
Carmel Business Association



Different Kinds of Lawsuits Possible

Your article about the general manager of our water district (Dec. 3) concluded with an opinion from Mr. Cofer that "someone could sue over rights to use water from the river." Asked who that might be, he replied, "Anybody who is opposed to allowing a permit for a dam."

That exchange may lead readers to believe that any legal action over water rights to the Carmel River will imply opposition to a new dam. Such is not the case.

Current hearings before the State Water Resources Control Board leave unchallenged the fact that the Carmel Valley aquifer is technically underflow of the river. As such, it is subject to appropriation by the state. State law requires appropriations to balance the needs of all water users against the need to ensure the survival of the natural river-aquifer system and its riparian corridor, under the so-called "public trust" provision. That means placing reasonable limits on pumping by Cal Am and others.

State agencies typically do not pursue appropriations until pressed to do so. In our case, recurrent droughts, damage to the river ecosystem and increasing water demand are cause for urgency.

Parties opposed to the dam have various reasons to sue the water management district. Those not opposed to it may have reason to sue the state, if laws designed to protect the river system are not enforced before a dam is built.

Robert Greenwood
Carmel Valley

Anybody Have A Bridge for Sale?

Do I believe my eyes? I just got through reading "Carmel Citizens for Good Government Questions Sunset Plans" (*Sun*, Dec. 3). If Mayor White strongly supports spending "seed money" to launch renovation of the Sunset Center, why doesn't he strongly support spending the "seed money" on forestalling lay-offs and badly needed equipment that keeps the city functioning.

Has he asked the people who were just laid-off how they feel about his "seed money" plans?

This city would buy the Brooklyn Bridge.

Judy Waite
Carmel

Everybody likes to read interesting, provocative letters to the editor. Write to *The Weekly Sun*, P.O. Box 931, Carmel Valley, CA 93924-0931. Include your name, address and telephone number. Please keep it as short as you can and still make your point.

We prefer a clean, typed or printer-created original; that allows us to scan it and enter it into our computers without someone having to retype it. For the same reason, if you do use a typewriter or computer, please do not use all upper case letters. We will assuredly accept handwritten letters, but do please keep them legible. Thank you.

A Hard-Learned Lesson for GM

One of our esteemed retirees sent along a copy of "Out and About" from your Nov. 19 edition of the *Weekly Sun*. First, it sounds like you're enjoying life after General Motors and making a real contribution to the area. I always enjoyed working with you—not too many years ago—and I am glad to see that things are going well for you.

But more to the point, and hopefully not defensively, I appreciate your observations on Jack's and my financial background. I think that each of us and the rest of the organization appreciate the need to change the culture in the company, essentially to eliminate the tremendous bureaucracy and to give those folks who have the knowledge and responsibility the authority to do their job.

That's exactly what we're doing, and while we might be former financial staff people, I can assure you that we're trying and will achieve the kind of company of which you would be proud.

Most importantly, we're focused on regaining the loyalty from our customers. You folks in California certainly appreciate that, perhaps more than any place else in the country. We realize that during the middle 1980's, we disappointed many valuable and loyal GM customers with quality problems which, frankly, were inexcusable.

We have come a long way since the middle 1980's. While Saturn is symbolic of that change, I think you'll find outstanding products throughout the distribution system — the Suburbans, full size pickup trucks, the new Camaro and Firebird, Grand Am, Bonneville, Achieva, Delta 88, LeSabre, Park Avenue, Eldorado and Seville.

These cars are representative of the tremendous new product lines which we have introduced in the last few years, and each of them is sold with pride by a distribution system and dealer organization that has learned the hard way that satisfying the customer is what we're in business to do.

I would hope you and your readers will take a run down to your GM dealer on one of the very few rainy days that you have out there just to see what we have to offer.

Good luck to both of us.

W. E. Hoglund, executive vice president
General Motors

Bill Hoglund is No. 2 man at GM, working closely with CEO Jack Smith to whom he refers in his letter. I worked closely with Hoglund when he headed the fledgling Saturn operation and later at what was then the Buick-Oldsmobile-Cadillac Group of GM.—The Ed.

Mo-Town Not Wanted in Village

"You've got to be kidding!" That's just what we said when we were told that due to a zoning quirk, automobiles could be manufactured in Carmel Valley on a lot behind the Running Iron Restaurant.

In fact, there is now an application for a use permit for an automobile fabrication plant coming up for a hearing before the County Planning Commission.

If "Mo-Town" is not the kind of future you envision for our rural village, please sign the petition at the Running Iron today, not only to stop this project, but also to change the zoning to a more appropriate land use.

Raymond Bergerac
Carmel Valley

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"Safe Homes" Parents Told

Drug, Alcohol Free Youth Parties Hard to Find

By Carolyn Rice

Sheriff Norm Hicks applauded parents of Carmel middle and high school students who have pledged not to permit youths to use drugs or alcohol in their homes, and a high school counselor said it's hard for today's teenagers to find drug-free parties.

"Groups like this one are the only way law enforcement officials will ever make a dent on drugs," declared Hicks at a meeting Dec. 2 at the Carmel Youth Center of parents pledged to the school district's "Safe Homes" program.

Hicks said the average daily population of the county jail is 950, and 75 percent of the inmates are there because of some involvement with drugs or alcohol.

Safe Homes, formed to try to find ways to combat drug and alcohol use among youths in the community, has begun distribution of a directory which lists 386 families who have pledged to host only alcohol and drug free parties in their homes.

Leaders expressed satisfaction at the number of families signing the pledge. The district has 2,306 children. Susan Lamb, a high school parent who moderated the meeting, estimated the Carmel Unified School District (CUSD) has children from around 1,000 families. "We have a long way to go to get everyone signed up," she said.

Safe Homes has not solicited pledges from parents with young grade school children but has gone after parents with children in the fourth grade through high school. The effort grew out of discussions by a CUSD health committee that has had members who represent the school district, law enforcement, churches, parents and students.

Hicks and Jerry Pesce, the drug and alcohol coordinator for Carmel Unified School District, spoke to the 37 people who attended the meeting. Three parents, Lamb, Trudy Doud, and Kathleen Weller, performed a skit to demonstrate how parents can call each other to check on their children's plans.

"What I've seen of drug use by teenagers frightens me," Pesce said. "A lot of people don't think pot is a very dangerous drug. I just don't believe that's true." He said students who use it three times a week will start to accumulate the drug in their system, and it will start to affect their ability to develop emotionally and take care of everyday business.

"They have no ability to follow through. It catches up with them. Life is difficult enough without being under the influence and have it be exaggerated. There are all kinds of drugs out there. They can sneak up on kids very quickly and grab hold of them.

"I think people can have a good time drug free," Pesce said. "The problem is if you're using, you don't believe this."

Teens are attracted to drug use, Pesce said, because it feels good, and they may feel they have a mind expanding experience while using drugs. He said he tells them, "You know, I found out I can do that without drugs."

Parents need to set limits and stress it's not okay to be under the influence, Pesce said. "I'd like to set things up where we're not condoning it."

Pesce said it's very difficult for teenagers to find parties that are drug free situations. "It's okay to contact people and find out what's going on in their house," he told the parents. He encouraged them to create an atmosphere where drug and alcohol use is not tolerated.

Lamb said it's important for parents to call each other. Twelve youths came over for a get-together at her house, and no one called her, she said. "It's important to call. Let kids know this is the way it's done," she said.

One woman in the audience said last year a group of parents of sophomore students started calling each other after several found out the children each told parents they would be at someone else's home. After checking, the parents found out from each other the teenagers weren't at anyone's home. They were at the beach where an all-night party had been planned, but it was broken up by the parents, the woman said.

Lamb said when parents call each other they shouldn't be afraid to ask if the party will be alcohol and drug free and if parents will be in attendance. "Just because parents have signed the pledge doesn't mean kids have signed the pledge," she said.

Diane Scholl, a high school parent, said she thought a fine line exists between trusting youngsters and "inviting them to sneak around" by putting them under too much scrutiny. "Children are all different," she said.

Pesce agreed. He said parents can have the same expectations but may need to take a different approach with different children.

A man in the audience said he would be concerned about repercussions on a kid at the school the next day if he called to check with parents who were hosting a party.

Pesce said it is possible that a student would take some heat at school the next

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"Skunk Works" Attacks Budget

Three men, whom Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio calls his "skunk works," have been closeted at City Hall for the past two weeks looking for ways to help the city's financial problems.

He hopes to keep them isolated because, "Once people know they're out there, the politics start happening."

Although some city staff regulars have assumed that Dan Clark, a sergeant with the Police Department is the head of the group, D'Ambrosio says it is leaderless because that is the way he wants it.

Clark, a member of the police department, is working with representatives of the public works and fire departments, the identities of whom D'Ambrosio would prefer to keep secret.

"They're looking at permits, fees and licenses—revenue enhancement," D'Ambrosio said, "ways to cut costs, new avenues, everything from soup to nuts."

His group, which was given a Jan. 15 deadline to come up with some proposals, is not examining department operations, D'Ambrosio said, but rather the type of thing that has resulted in the city saving about $2,100 a month on utility costs in recent months.

"I'm trying to keep it as leaderless and directionless as possible," he explained in an interview, "so they won't have any restrictions. I want them to be as free and loose as possible. I want them to flow and move with the freedom to be creative in ways to save and raise money, to look at things in a different manner."

The proposals that emerge from the group will be presented to the budget committee created by Mayor Ken White at the suggestion of Carmel Citizens for Good Government (CCGG) to try and prevent the city from future deficit budgets.

In September, the City Council passed a $7.3 million 1992-93 budget, balanced through the first layoffs in its history. But, it faces a $1.2 million deficit in the 1993-94 budget which must be addressed in March.

D'Ambrosio said if nothing else comes from his brainstorming group, "We'll have a data base on everything we do in the future. If its not implemented now, it will be in the future. It will all be good stuff."

The budget committee has met once since it was created by adding D'Ambrosio and City Treasurer Charles Reinman to the council budget committee of Phil Coniglio and Barbara Livingston.

Among its problems are paying for the heavy debt service on two properties the city acquired in the the past few years—Vista Lobos and Rio Park. In November, the city spent $419,745 to make various principal and interest payments on Vista Lobos, the former Handley lumberyard which it purchased in 1988 for $2.5 million for a park, parking lot and recreation center. Another payment of $21,980 in interest is due June 1 on the 10-year contract which runs to Dec. 1, 1998.

Still to come is a proposed $460,000 principal prepayment on the Rio Park property in February. (See separate story on Page 23.)

Clearing Forecast For Santa's Fly-In

Despite recent stormy weather and a forecast for even more, clearing skies are predicted for Saturday morning when Santa Claus will fly into Carmel Valley Airport for the 34th straight year.

Santa and Mrs. Claus are scheduled to arrive at the airfield at 11 a.m. for a parade down Carmel Valley Road to the Community Center. Serving as grand marshal for the parade will be Don Cummings, a Valley man and pilot who flew Santa in for the first time 34 years ago and for many years after that.

Meteorologist Robert Renard said another storm was due to hit the area Thursday night or Friday with likely strong winds and heavy rains. But he said it should be short-lived and skies should be clearing in time for Santa's arrival by plane.

At the Community Center—which sponsors the event—Santa will take gift requests from good boys and girls and even have his picture taken with them.

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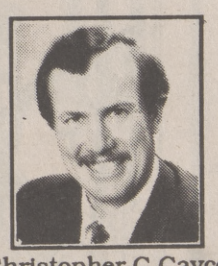
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SHERIFF'S LOG

CARMEL. A woman reported seeing a suspicious character near her Hatton Road home, saying he had shoulder length hair on one side of his head and was shaved clean on the other. 11/30.

VALLEY. A Carmel woman said someone removed $315 in cash and her driver's license from the pocket of her warmup suit while it was hanging at Carmel Valley Racquet Club. 11/30.

MONTEREY. A Carmel Valley woman who lives on Miramonte said her car was vandalized while parked on El Torritos in Monterey, causing some $2,000 damage. She said she suspected a former boyfriend. 11/30.

Walking Stick as A Weapon

BIG SUR. A transient was booked into jail on charges of assault with a deadly weapon after he allegedly attacked two employees of River Inn with his walking stick. The employees had attempted to get him from keeping customers out of the inn's parking lot. 12/1.

CARMEL. Carmel Convalescent Hospital reported an employee and a former employee were fighting outside the kitchen over a $30 bet. 12/1.

VALLEY. A manager at Carmel Valley Ranch Resort reported he lost $475 in a telephone scam which prompted him to wire the money to Del Rey Beach, Fla., after being told that a friend of his had been injured by a man who identified himself as a California Highway Patrolman. A CHP spokesman the agency was aware of a statewide scheme to defraud people in which callers identified themselves as patrolmen. 12/1.

CARMEL. A woman said the "windwing" on her VW was vandalized while it was parked near her home on Handley Drive. 12/2.

Man Disrobes in Restaurant

BIG SUR. The manager of the River Inn called to say a man was taking his clothes off in the restaurant. A deputy responded and said a transient "was given a ride out of Big Sur." 12/2.

CACHAGUA. A woman who lives on Nason Road was jailed for assaulting her common-law husband. 12/2.

CARMEL. The manager of the Carmel River Inn said a guest from Palm Springs left without paying a $700 room bill. 12/3.

CARMEL. Authorities at Carmel High School said they had two girls in custody for possessing marijuana; both were cited. 12/3.

No Christmas Spirit Here

CARMEL RANCHO. An employee at Albertsons said 30 Christmas trees, 5-6 foot Douglas Firs worth $20 each, had been stolen from in front of the store during the night. 12/3.

HIGHLANDS. A woman who lives on Yankee Point called to complain her neighbor was trimming her pine tree. The report did not make clear which woman the tree belonged to. 12/3.

VILLAGE. The manager of Porter Marquard Realty reported a burglary in which intruders tried to force open a safe but failed. 12/4.

VILLAGE. A man reported two Hispanic men were standing in his yard on El Caminito. A deputy said they were gone when he arrived. 12/4.

HIGHLANDS. The security manager at Highlands Inn reported a suspicious man and truck on the hotel's premises. The truck was marked "North County Plumbing," and he said he suspected the driver was a prowler. 12/4.

Somebody Stealing Rocks?

CACHAGUA. A woman said she thinks many area neighbors are stealing rocks from her yard. 12/5.

CARMEL. A woman reported wood and a blue tarp were stolen from property she owns on Pine Way. 12/6.

VALLEY. The manager of Mid Valley Chevron reported a customer skipped out on a $19.41 gas bill. He said he pursued the car to Carmel Valley Village where the driver paid him, denying any criminal intent. 12/6.

CACHAGUA. A woman who lives on Cachagua Road accused a man of stealing one of her horses. A deputy said he had sold it to her in July, but had not been paid in full. The pair got into an altercation, the deputy said, but neither wanted to press charges. 12/6.

Fire Departments Deliver Presents

Mid Valley, Carmel Highlands and Carmel Valley Fire Departments will deliver wrapped Christmas presents on Christmas Eve to children who live within their districts.

Mid Valley and the Highlands start their fire truck deliveries during the middle of the afternoon and Carmel Valley leaves about 5 p.m. on its Santa Claus run.

All departments request the gifts be delivered to their stations a day or two prior to Dec. 24 with three-by-five-inch labels securely attached. The label should clearly give the child's name, address and phone number. No live animals or extremely large packages will be delivered.

For more information call Mid Valley Fire at 624-5907, Carmel Valley Fire at 659-2021 and Carmel Highlands Fire at 624-2374.

The County Service Area 43 Rio Road station and Carmel Fire Department are accepting gifts of toys and canned food for delivery to the Salvation Army.

CHRISTMAS RACCOONS CREATED by artist Marlie Avant look as though they live in the pine trees on Ocean Avenue in Carmel. Avant and Toni Jepson, executive director of the Carmel Business Association (CBA), checked the banners out last week. Others were donated by artists Bill Bates, George De Groat, Ron Grauer, Eldon Dedini,Carey Crockett, Patty Waldin, Stan Spohn and Bill Stone. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

Burglars Strike in Village Again

In a third series of break-ins, four Carmel Valley Village businesses were burglarized sometime after midnight Sunday by what investigators theorize is youthful thieves looking mainly for cash.

Hardest hit was the River Rock Cafe on Carmel Valley Road where co-owner Adriana Brama said $900 cash was stolen. Colton Realty, Sweet Retreat and Valley Oak Travel, which are located on DelFino Place, were also broken into.

Vic Colton said papers were gone through in his office but nothing was taken. Cynthia Hudson at Sweet Retreat said about $25 in change was missing. Lyn Taylor said the burglars found a small amount of cash at Valley Oak Travel.

A week earlier, Taqueria del Valle was burglarized, but owner Lucy Zarazua said nothing was missing, "not even beer." She said she does not leave any cash on the premises, but said a stereo and television were left untouched.

Lt. Fred Wilson of the Monterey County Sheriff's Department said the burglars seem to be looking just for cash. Patrols will be stepped up in the Village, he said, adding the department has no leads. In the latest thefts, burglars broke windows or doors to get in.

On Nov. 25, several businesses and Tularcitos School's office were burglarized. Last spring, an 18-year-old and two juveniles were arrested after a rash of burglaries in which cash, beer, candy and knives from restaurants were stolen.

Taylor whose travel business was also burglarized last June said the culprits made a big mess of her office this time. "They were very destructive. The Village is not as safe as it used to be."

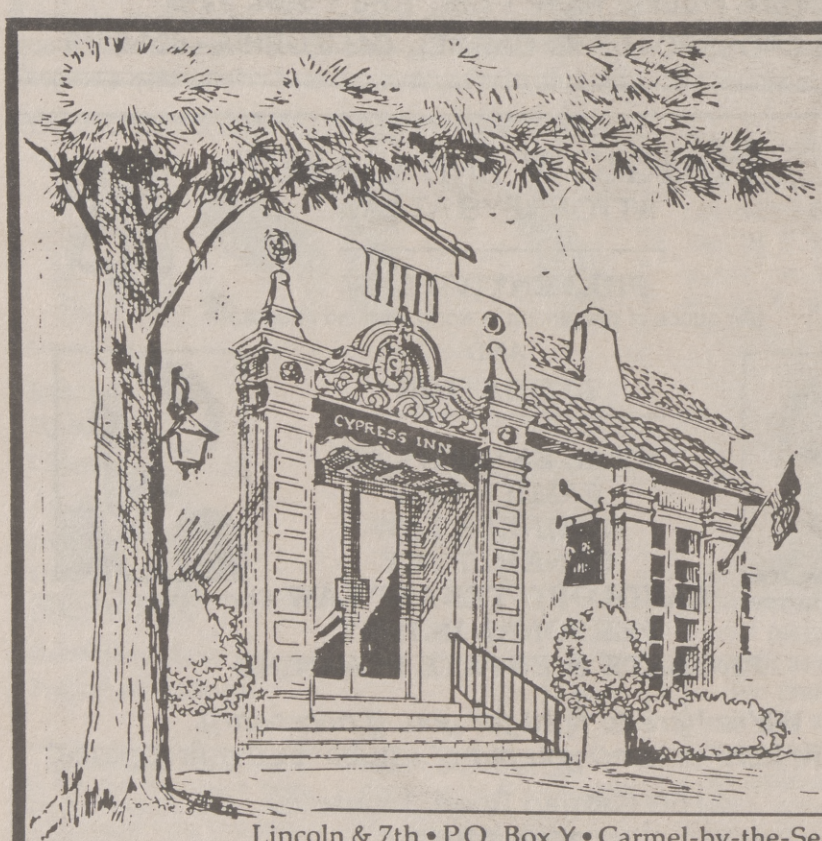
Deputy Bill Cassara, who investigated the latest thefts, said he believed they were the work of youths looking mainly for cash.

To protect themselves, he said business owners should keep a minimum of cash on hand at nights, or keep it in a floor safe. "Precautions taken up front could save a lot of trouble later," he said.

He also noted that no businesses with burglar alarms were hit in the latest break-ins. "Lights can be a help," he said, "But the people victimized this time had lights."

Noting that the burglars bypassed items such as TVs and VCRs, Cassara theorized that the thieves might be very young because they seemed to operate on foot.

"I wouldn't be surprised if they are very young and live within walking distance of their victims," Cassara said.



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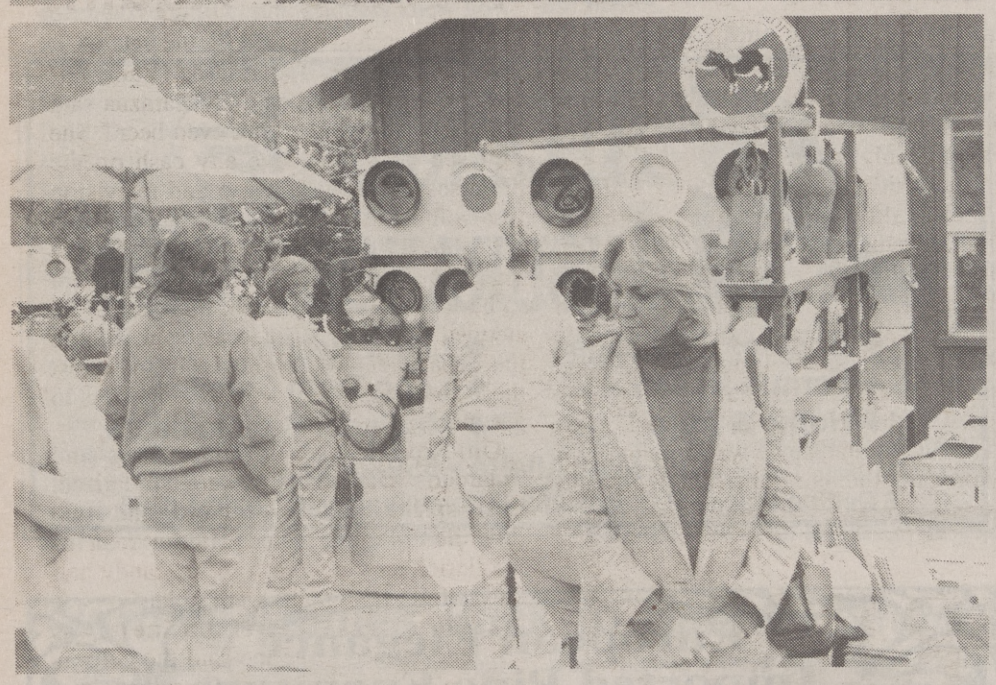
YOUNG ADMIRERS pay rapt attention to a youngsters' choir singing carols at Carmel's Christmas tree lighting Friday (right). Below, shoppers at Carmel Plaza pause to listen to a choir during the Carmel Business Association's Lights up the Season observance. Below middle, artists and craftsmen set up one of many holiday gift bazaars, this one at Valley Hills Shopping Center Saturday. Bottom, Aaron Wirtz, 5, and Grace Hussey, 4, choose a cookie Friday night at Mid Valley Fire Department's open house and tree lighting ceremony. Santos and Julia Mayorga, operators of Martin's fruit stand, had the honor of throwing the switch to light a huge tree on Saddle Mountain that Mid Valley's volunteer firemen have maintained since 1976. In a holiday message, Carmel Mayor Ken White, noting economic hardship that led to the city's first layoffs in history, said, "we look to 1993 with great hope and happy hearts, thankful for all our many blessings. We still live in paradise, my friends, and our community and its people remain very special." He also noted a "new spirit of cooperation and willingness to listen and appreciate others' views," saying he was grateful for that.



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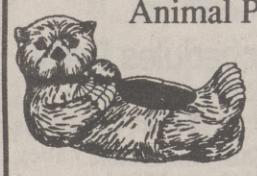

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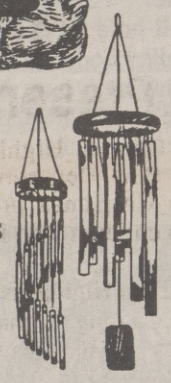

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Cigarettes, Paper Litter Carmel Beach

Members of the Carmel Residents Association (CRA) staged their second cleanup of Carmel Beach Saturday, reporting that most of the debris consists of cigarette butts and discarded tissues.

Some 28 persons signed up for the cleanup, all but three of them members of the CRA, according to Clayton Anderson, a director of the local group which organized the beach cleanups to help the budget-pinched city at the request of Mayor Ken White.

Anderson and Howard Skidmore, another director, designed and fashioned special cleanup tools made of lightweight mesh attached to wooden handles so the volunteers could scoop up litter and let the sand sift through.

Anderson estimated the mile-long beach is probably 352,000 square feet. He said during the next cleanup, they planned to set out 30-square foot sections for the volunteers to cover instead of having them roam the entire length of the beach.

In addition to the volunteers on the beach, many of them on their hands and knees, another group worked under the direction of Diane Martinez, a city gardener trimming shrubbery along the path on Scenic Drive.

City Forester Gary Kelly said he had cancelled a $500 monthly contract for beach area gardening. He thought the volunteers were doing "a great job. they're going beyond what was being done."

Skidmore said the beach was not too dirty Saturday, probably as a result of the storm that swept in last Thursday, and possibly because he had spent Friday cleaning it to try out some of his cleanup tools. One of the biggest tasks the group has is collecting bits of charcoal left from beach fires which they said was turning the beautiful white sand gray.

Councilwoman Barbara Livingston said she thought it was easier to pick up the charcoal with her hands. The group found a huge fire pit buried under the sand in which fence posts complete with wire had been burned, Livingston said.

The CRA fed the volunteers coffee and doughnuts at Scenic Drive and Eighth Avenue and had a hot dog picnic at noon at 13th and Scenic. The first cleanup was held Nov. 10.

Larsen Field Paving Issue Is Continued

A hearing on a use permit for work already done repaving Carmel Mission's Larsen Field was continued by the Planning Commission when it was advised an application for a permit would be made.

Chairman Jack Kennedy announced at the Dec. 2 session that an application would be filed. The work was done by Granite Construction Co. for the Carmel Youth Baseball Field and the mission.

The Planning Department issued a stop work order to William G. Dorey, field director of Youth Baseball and a Granite executive. The department said permits were required for the work from both the city and the Coastal Commission because the baseball field is in the city's R-1 district where off-street parking lots are banned and because it is in ther environmentally sensitive area between Mission Trail Park and the Carmel River.

Dorey said, "A whole bunch of pedople thought they were doing something nice fo the city and the sdchool." He said it never dawned on them that a permit was required.

CV Chamber Schedules Party

The Carmel Valley Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual Christmas party at the Valley Lodge in Carmel Valley next Wednesday at 6 p.m. Members and guests are welcome. Call 659-4000 for reservations or information.

CLEANING UP CARMEL BEACH ZaZa and Howard Skidmore found lots of cigarette butts and tissues Saturday. Skidmore was trying out a new tool he made with wire mesh to sift the sand while picking up debris. *Sun photos by Isabelle Hall*

NOT ONLY WAS THE BEACH CLEANED UP Saturday but volunteers also trimmed shrubbery along Scenic Drive under the direction of the Carmel Forest and Beach Department.

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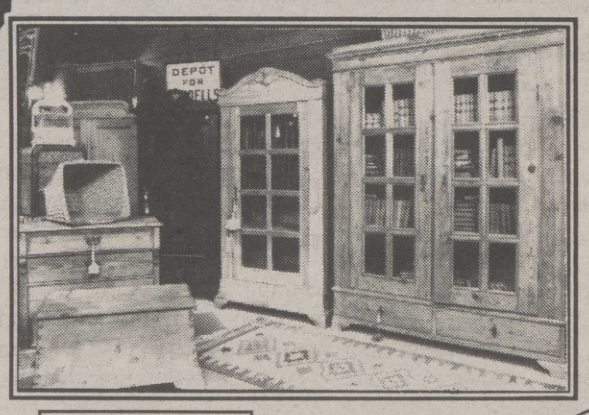

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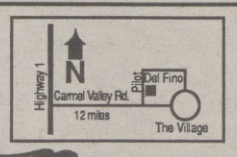

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Commission to Look Anew at Resident-Serving

By Isabelle Hall

Even though the definition of a resident serving business haunted the Carmel Planning Commission for some two and a half years, it still refuses to go away.

The commission voted Dec. 2 to bring the issue back although the City Council approved commercial zoning ordinances and amendments to the General Plan Tuesday that makes the entire question moot. The changes take effect Jan. 8.

To the puzzlement of even the city attorney, commissioners jumped back into the quagmire of defining what kind of a store serves residents and what kind serves tourists—or whether all stores serve everyone—when Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth said the department needed guidance on how to answer the questions of applicants confused by what the new changes will mean to individual buildings in town.

The staff brought the issue back in connection with a general use permit issued to Stella Biason when she constructed a building in the Jack London Courtyard to replace the First Murphy house that she donated to the city.

Acting on an option proposed by Associate Planner Rick Tooker, commissioners voted 7-0 that an art gallery is not a resident-serving use.

It voted 6-1 that a list of uses identified in a section called P1-21 of the Land Use Plan as revised by the council not be allowed in commercial spaces that are required to be residential-serving. The list includes art galleries, drinking places, gift shops, T-shirt shops and jewelry stores. There was a unanimous vote that the commission revisit the criteria, looking once again at the entire process of restricting such uses which the city wants to limit.

It also voted to bring back at its next meeting Jan. 13 a master use permit issued to Biason in an attempt to help her out of a situation where she has been unable to rent the new building to an artist who wants it for a studio and gallery because of the restrictions on her use permit. It requires that two out of three commercial spaces Biason owns be for resident-serving stores. City Attorney Don Freeman advised the commission that whatever it did was speculative until commissioners knew how the council would act.

"While it is clear that art galleries will become permitted uses on Jan. 8 resulting from the changes to procedures for permit processing of new applications...staff questions whether it is the intent of the new ordinance to classify art galleries and all other permitted uses as residential-serving uses," Associate Planner Rick Tooker said.

"This directly conflicts with the General Plan, particularly Policy P1-21 which lists art galleries and other uses as tourist oriented."

Policy P1-21 of the Land Use Plan says: "Establish methods which will result in limiting or reducing the number of certain tourist oriented uses including but not limited to drinking places, art galleries, gift shops, T-shirt shops, and jewelry stores in the Central Commercial Land Use District. Fast food operations are prohibited."

Tooker said the staff did not believe it was the intent of the council in adopting the new commercial zoning ordinance to invalidate the conditions of all previously issued master user permits requiring a mix of resident and visitor-serving uses.

Roseth said the staff "is asking whether this is the list we should be using when we advise people at the counter. We are being hit daily with questions about what will or will not be allowed in certain buildings."

"I'm not satisfied it's (the list) all inclusive," Chairman Jack Kennedy said. "We might want to come back and amend it."

"What are we doing about expanding that list?" asked Commissioner Ed Jordan. "The policy is eminently ambiguous. Ninety percent of what we do is procedural not policy, and the comment that all businesses are resident-serving strikes me as empty." "Take it up with the council that made it," Kennedy said.

Commissioner Margarethe Hardy thought the staff should be directed to come back with an expanded list. Hanna said the Landlord/Tenant Committee was already working on a good definition of resident-serving business.

"We're trying to keep a lot of shlock stores out of Carmel," said Commissioner Carl Livingston, Jr. "We're really not concerned about resident-serving. All my house guests buy T-shirts. We just don't want too many of them."

The changes in zoning make art galleries, specialty food stores, antique stores, cigar stores, telemarketing, tour operator offices and arts and crafts permitted uses subject to standard conditions.

The issue came up when Biason sought clarification of her position. She has complained for months at being unable to rent her new building because of the restrictions on the type of business that can be operated. Her two existing tenants are an art gallery, The Ludwa Studio, and a clothing store, G.J.'s West, which is resident-serving, so she only qualifies for another resident-serving business under the master use permit.

"I've waited long enough to rent this place," Biason said. "Three years. I paid for parking twice."

"In the history of our relationship with Mrs. Biason, we ought to find some powerful solution and put this good artist in place and yet not damage our General Plan," Commissioner Lindsay Hanna said.

Roseth said the application was not before the commission and, "The commission should not make a decision regarding this particular applicant but on what is standard so that we can advise property owners on our master use policy. The second question is whether an art gallery is going to be considered resident or visitor-serving."

"You can look at an art gallery as being 50 percent resident-serving," Vice Chairman Brian Congleton said. "We've gotten ourselves so buried in some of the regulations we've got here we can't help the applicants." He made a motion that an art gallery "is not at this time a resident-serving use." It passed 7-0.

The commission also voted 6-1 to bring the use permit back for re-examination although Freeman warned that they could not make it more restrictive. An application by artist Wendell Brown to rent Biason's building was denied by the staff in July on the basis that an art gallery was not resident-serving and did not qualify under her use permit.

"At present there are 68 art galleries located in the commercial district representing the second largest business category in the city after apparel stores," Tooker told the commission. "In addition, art galleries represent 20 percent of the retail business in the commercial district and 11 percent of all commercial use in Carmel."

He said the staff wanted the specific uses listed in the Land Use Element—drinking places, art galleries, gift shops, T-shirt shops and jewelry stores—to be identified as visitor-serving uses for purposes of administering the master use permit policy. The policy was adopted in 1985 requiring that all new commercial buildings dedicate one or more spaces for non-visitor serving uses.

"In the past, the proliferation of businesses which primarily serve visitors has been an issue of great concern to the city," Tooker said. "Resident-serving businesses have traditionally provided a sense of identity and an improved quality of life for Carmel residents. As resident-serving uses are replaced with visitor-oriented businesses, the character of Carmel as a residential village is changed."

Chairman Kennedy, an attorney, asked Freeman if he thought the new ordinance "is contrary to the General Plan and invalid on its face?"

"I wouldn't care to comment," Freeman replied. "It's only had first reading. It won't take effect until Jan. 9."

"We are asking that the Planning Commission establish a new standard in determining what resident-oriented businesses are and to determine whether or not an art gallery meets that standard," Tooker said.

Wording Comes Back to Haunt Planners

The Planning Commission will be challenged by a Carmel homeowner on the language it used in setting a condition for the design of her house.

Rose Ann Feiner has appealed to the City Council a decision by the commission Dec. 2 to bring back the design study conditions it approved in March.

At issue is a condition which states: "Consider an alternative material(s) that would reduce the prominence or soften the proposed stucco exterior."

Mrs. Feiner said she considered the condition, but wants her house to have stucco.

"Stucco is more fireproof. It's a richer looking material and it is easier for maintenance," she told the commission. "My attorney said it is not an order that I had to consider other material but it was at my volition."

She said her house on San Antonio between 10th and 11th sits so low that it would have no impact in any event.

Former Planning Director Diane White, who resigned a week ago, came back to ask the commission to decide that Mrs. Feiner had not complied with the condition. "It was a poorly written condition," White allowed. "Those of you who were on the commission then need to provide more leadership on what was your intent."

"Do we have the right to consider this?" asked Vice Chairman Brian Congleton.

"It's your condition, you have the right to consider it," City Attorney Don Freeman advised, but he said the word "consider" was the major thing.

"If there's any ambiguity in a condition, a court would say that those who had the ability to cure the ambiguity, that that person would be the loser. Mrs. Feiner is correct. It does not necessarily mean an order," Freeman said.

The commission voted 6-0 with Commissioner Carl Livingston abstaining to reconsider its March action at a public hearing. Mrs. Feiner appealed, requesting the council to decide the issue instead.

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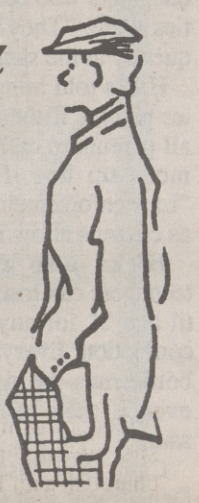

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day, but added there are parents who serve alcohol and take the attitude that, "'I would rather have them do it here than out driving around.'" Other parents need to find out what the host's attitude is toward serving alcohol, he said.

A woman in the audience said if adults get mad when questioned, they probably aren't the kind of people you would want your children associating with anyway.

Hicks told the parents if they furnish drugs or alcohol to children who are subsequently involved in car wreck while under the influence, "You can lose your home and everything you've got if they trace it back to you."

He said he had received a call from an adult that some of the biggest keg parties in the Carmel area are now being held in Pebble Beach. At some parties, parents are home and at others they are gone, he said. "You owe it to friends to talk to them if they are doing it," he said.

Russ Cornelius said, "A lot of kids don't want booze. They want a safe place to go."

Cornelius, a Pebble Beach resident, said on any weekend night he could ask his daughters who could tell him where the parties were. "They seem to be going on frequently at the same house," he said.

Hicks told him, "We will actively go after parents if they are involved." He urged all parents to call the sheriff or the anonymous tip line if they have information. "Law enforcement can only be as successful as citizens allow it to be," he said.

Hicks also reminded parents that teenagers can lose their driver's license until age 21 for any kind of drug or alcohol conviction. Everyone in a car with an open bottle runs the risk of losing their license even if they have not been drinking, he said.

Capt. Don Fuselier of the Carmel Police Department said people sometimes ask him why police hassle teens who have drunk a couple of beers. On three occasions in 21 years, Fuselier said he has gone to homes and told parents their child is not coming home. "I don't want to do that anymore," he said.

A parent questioned Hicks on how to find out what's going on.

"Ask your youngster," Hicks said. "If you really want to know, ask your youngster."

Some parents pointed a finger at adult sellers for supplying kids with drugs, but Fuselier said, "Really, the kids are getting it from each other and usually for no financial gain."

Judy Masliyah, who has a son in high school, said she was concerned about cocaine use in local restaurants, "A lot of our kids are exposed to cocaine" when they work in restaurants as busboys or waiters, she said.

Cornelius asked whether teachers tend to ignore it when a student comes to class under the influence.

Pesce told him it's much easier for teachers to tell when someone is drunk than when they are high on drugs. But the school has a procedure for teachers to write up an observed behavior if they are suspicious and it is turned over to a team which will track the situation, he said. If the team determines the student has a drug or alcohol problem, the parents will be called and and intervention will take place.

How to Report Illegal Use

Sheriff Norman Hicks asked anyone who has information about illegal drug or alcohol use to call the sheriff's department or the anonymous tip line at 373-3344. The more detailed the information, the more helpful it is to the department, he said.

SAFE HOMES PARENTS Susan Lamb and Trudy Doud performed a skit to teach parents how to ask other parents questions about parties they plan to host in their homes. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

Emotions Run High at Council

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formed sources, wants to put the divisive issue to rest. Others say opponents of the zoning changes don't have the votes to win anyway.

Tempers raised during the emotional tree debate flared over zoning with Mayor Ken White and former Mayor Barney Laiolo, his opponent in the April election, shouting at each other at one point.

"We should not pass this without making clear what it does," White said. "It speeds up the process for applicants from months to weeks, reduces the work load for the Planning Commission and will let the Planning Commission do long range planning.

"The ordinance makes no changes in the Residential Commercial (RC) zone. It's a major step. It retains three commercial districts. It will be much easier to evaluate businesses, and it applies a uniform set of standards." He said the council always considered a request for a vote such as Eisner made a serious matter.

Levy told the council the house he has owned at the corner of Monterey and Valley Way for the last 30 years or so is probably one of the oldest houses in Carmel. He said the roots of the tree which was planted after the house was built had pushed up the foundation one-half inch and branches were growing into the eaves.

"The foundation and floor has buckled. The wall's being pushed in," he said. The issue came to the council with a 4-2 vote from the Forest and Beach Commission not to let him cut down and a recommendation from City Forester Gary Kelly to allow its removal.

If he can't remove the tree, Levy said he would consider demolition of the house and building a new house. He said he would plant other trees.

"We don't cut down people because their life span is over," protested environmentalist Lorna Moffatt who read the council a poem about trees. "There was a time when trees came first before buildings in Carmel."

"The tree needs to take precedent," insisted environmentalist Brian Rosen.

"I'm absolutely shocked at what I'm hearing about a tree destroying a man's house and the tree is getting more consideration than the man," said Cliff Mortensen, who said he had lived in Carmel for 10 years and had come to the council meeting on another matter.

"We have these 'Save the Tree' people. I'm just absolutely astounded. I can't believe what I'm hearing," he repeated. "I'm for the man. Turn the tree into the Sunday newspaper."

"It's not right for people who probably don't have any trees to punish others," said Paul Hazdovac who said he has been denied permission to cut down a tree he feels could blow down and cause harm.

"You just voted on an ordinance to preserve old buildings," said Toni Jepson, executive director of the Carmel Business Association (CBA). "Is this old house going to be destroyed by this tree? Is the tree destroying the ordinance that you just passed?"

"There is no way that a seedling can replace the loss of one of those giant trees," said Karen Ferlito, president of Friends of Carmel Forest.

"One of the benefits of living in this beautiful town is the urban forest," said Councilwoman Barbara Livingston. "It's a sacrilege to think we might cut down this mature tree that's been growing for 30 years and not going to cause any more damage." She said Forest and Beach Commissioner Gary Girard told her, "The house is an intrusion on the tree. He said he saw no ill effects."

"Tree mania," pronounced Councilman Bob Fischer. "I'm all for trees but how would you like to be living in that house in that master bedroom with the floor coming up and the wall caving in. How can a house invade a tree area. Tree mania. Every time we pass on the matter of a tree being cut down, the environmentalists come up and say, 'Don't touch that tree.' It's not a human being. My consideration is for the human side."

"This is a magnificent tree," said Councilwoman Barbara Brooks. "I would not like to see the tree removed."

"Can I call my mother?" quipped Councilman Phil Coniglio, the youngest council member who is constantly teased about his age. "I'm all for trees and stuff but this is a special case. I'm going to see which way the vote goes."

Then, Solomon-like the mayor moved to postpone the appeal to Jan. 5 so councilmembers can examine the inside of the house for themselves. "This is even more important than commercial zoning and that took 2-1/2 years," he said facetiously. "Sooner or later the council has to consider the liability we'd be putting the people of Carmel in if that tree goes over."

Tempers flared anew during the zoning debate when Livingston asked Acting Planning Director Brian Roseth to settle the question once and for all of whether the central commercial zone ever extended to Fifth Avenue. Roseth said it did not.

With White and Laiolo shouting at each other, Fischer told Livingston, "Don't look at the city staff. I patrolled that area. In 1953, the commercial area extended past Fourth Avenue. Mr. Laiolo had his shop there. There was no Central Commercial zone. You could put anything you wanted up there."

First reading on an ordinance that would let owners of lots larger than 8,000 square feet have more floor area ratio than is currently allowed was continued to Jan. 5 when Brooks proposed substantial changes to a recommendation from the Planning Commission.

Noting that about 260 lots would be affected under the changes, Brooks said the cap on house size of 6,000 square feet

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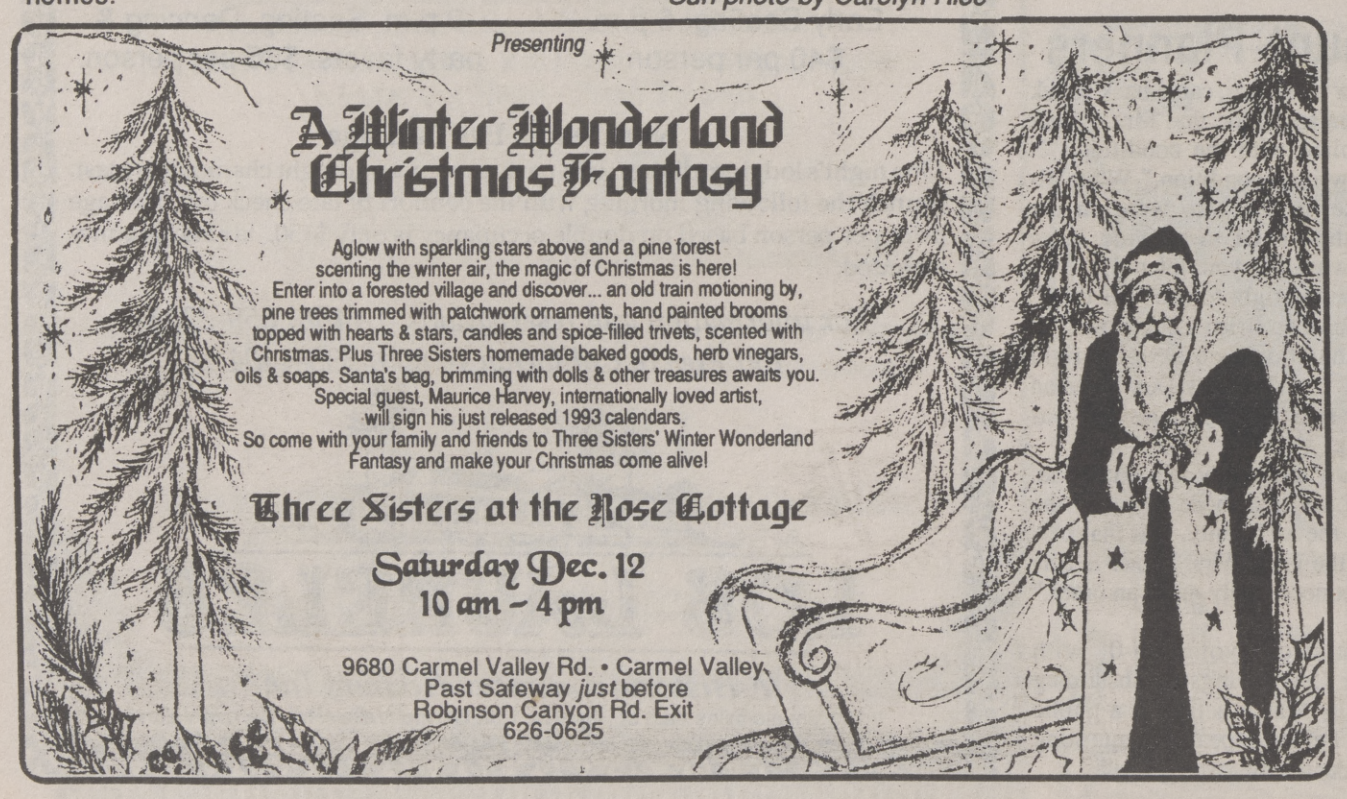
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Redistricting Hearing Scheduled for Monday

By Carolyn Rice

Attacked by an attorney for Hispanics and defended by one of the supervisors who appointed them, members of a special three-man commission will hold an all-day hearing Monday to try to resolve the county's long-playing redistricting controversy.

The commission announced plans to meet from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Supervisors' chambers despite claims by Joaquin Avila, a Milpitas attorney representing the Hispanic group La Raza, that the commission's appointment violates the federal Voting Rights Acts. Avila sent a second letter to the commission which was appointed by the Board of Supervisors Nov. 24 urging it to disband and send redistricting back to the supervisors.

"Those same people complained when the Board of Supervisors did the redistricting plan," said Supervisor Karin Strasser Kauffman. "Now they are saying we ought to be doing it instead of an independent commission. We need to get it resolved one way or another."

Commission members are County Clerk Ernest Maggini, County Assessor Bruce Reeves and District Attorney Dean Flippo, who serves as chairman. Supervisors asked them to come up with a plan by Friday.

But Flippo said he would be at the FBI academy this week and asked for a time extension. Commission members each expressed reservations about its formation, with Flippo saying he would ask his staff to research its legality.

Strasser Kauffman said the commission will have a head start because so much work has been done by the demographers in the past months. Some 50 maps with detailed population information are available for review.

In addition, an attorney for the county has submitted a completely new map labeled I-1. It will be considered at Monday's hearing along with a map drawn by Avila which would split Carmel Valley between two districts and maps known H-4 and H-5. H-4 was a North County plan presented in court and H-5 was a modified map which was unacceptable to North County residents, Hispanics and Seaside and Marina.

Asked what she thought of the new I-1 map, Strasser Kauffman said, "I'm not looking at any maps right now. I haven't seen what's been presented. Let them (the commission) do the job. I wish them well."

She said she will go along with any map created by the commission. "It may not be a map that we like, but I've seen lot's of maps I don't like."

Redistricting has prompted heated supervisors' hearings, multiple court suits and a successful voter referendum. The dispute over redrawing the five supervisors' districts delayed scheduled elections in three of them for at least a year.

Strasser Kauffman said the commission will have the benefit of specific court guidelines not available when supervisors were looking at maps. She also suggested the deadline set by the supervisors for the commission could be extended. "It's not an impossible task. So much has been done," she said. "The commission should be able to act more quickly. The real issue is whether they want to do the job or not." She said she could understand if they didn't want the job. "We (supervisors) did it, and we did it more than once but it was never entirely satisfactory."

Avila contends the creation of the commission should have been approved in advance by the Justice Department before it could legally develop a redistricting plan.

County Counsel Douglas Holland turned aside Avila's objection, saying he believes the commission is fully consistent with the law and with a federal judge's recent order.

The commission was appointed under a state election law which allows for such a group after the Board of Supervisors was unable to agree on boundary lines for new districts by Nov. 1, 1991. Avila has pointed out the supervisors had adopted a map prior to Nov. 1, 1991. Therefore, he contends the state law allowing for a commission's appointment is not applicable.

"There can be no serious dispute that the County's actions constitute a change from redistricting procedures established by the Elections Code for general law counties," Avila charged.

Strasser Kauffman said she would encourage the commission to set aside plenty to time for public comment. One problem with Avila's map is it has never had a public airing, according to Strasser Kauffman.

"It is my hope that some of the glaring inequities of the Avila map could be corrected," she said. The map splits Carmel Valley, under-represents the peninsula and leaves only one environmental vote on the board, Strasser Kauffman said.

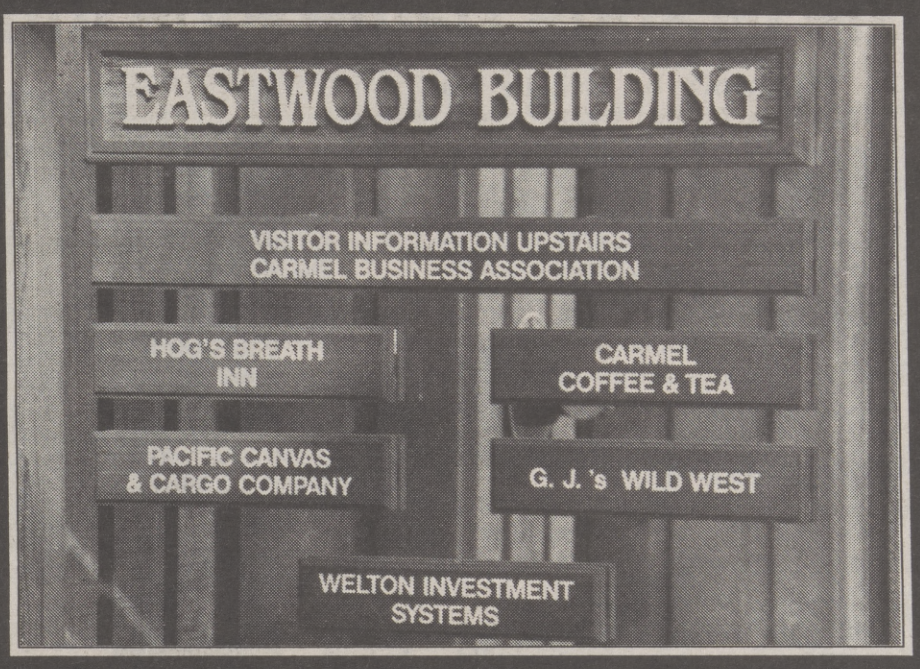
Holland told commission members at their organizational meeting supervisors were not legally bound to adopt any map they recommended. However, he said, he felt the board would be under a moral obligation to do so.

Reeves and Maggini both declined comment about the commission. Reeves went on to say it was an "awkward situation."

"I would assume we are proceeding as a commission," Maggini then volunteered.

The county has been involved in redistricting controversy from the time neighborhood meetings were held about 18 months ago on possible new district boundaries. Hispanics immediately filed a suit challenging the plan initially approved in late 1991, wanting two stronger Hispanic majority districts. Hispanics make up 34 percent of the county population.

THE MONTEREY REDISTRICTING COMMISSION will hold a public hearing at 9 a.m. Dec. 14 at the Board of Supervisors' Chambers in Salinas. Commission members pictured above are Bruce Reeves, county assessor, Dean Flippo, county attorney and Ernest Maggini, county clerk. County Counsel Douglas Holland, at right, addressed the commission Dec. 1. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*



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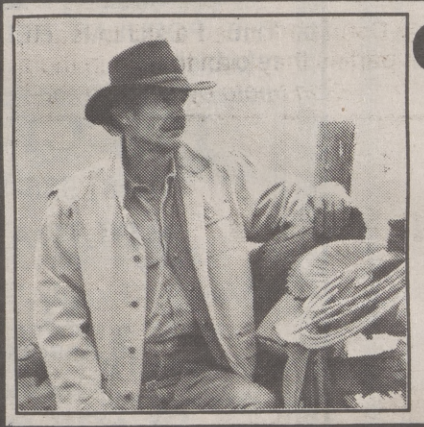

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The Grande Dame Pine Inn Gets Million Dollar Facelift

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The Pine Inn, Carmel's grand dame of hotels, is undergoing a million dollar-plus facelift for the celebration of its 90th year at Ocean Avenue and Lincoln. Actually, the old lady is soon to be 105 for she started life at Ocean Avenue and Junipero in 1887 as the Hotel Carmelo.

Frank Devendorf and Frank Powers, founders of Carmel-by-the-Sea, built Hotel Carmelo in the style of an elegant country inn with wood from the Tivoli Opera house in San Francisco, according to the inn's history.

Sixteen years later as the seaside village developed, the north wing was dismantled and the main building was rolled along pine logs down the bumpy dirty road that was Ocean Avenue to its current location.

Young M.J. Murphy, the local contractor who was to attain fame as a master builder, helped with the project.

"Murphy built the (Harrison Memorial) Library across the road and the Pine Inn and now Little Murphy is here. It's neat to have him near when he built two of the largest structures in town," said James Palmer, the inn's marketing director.

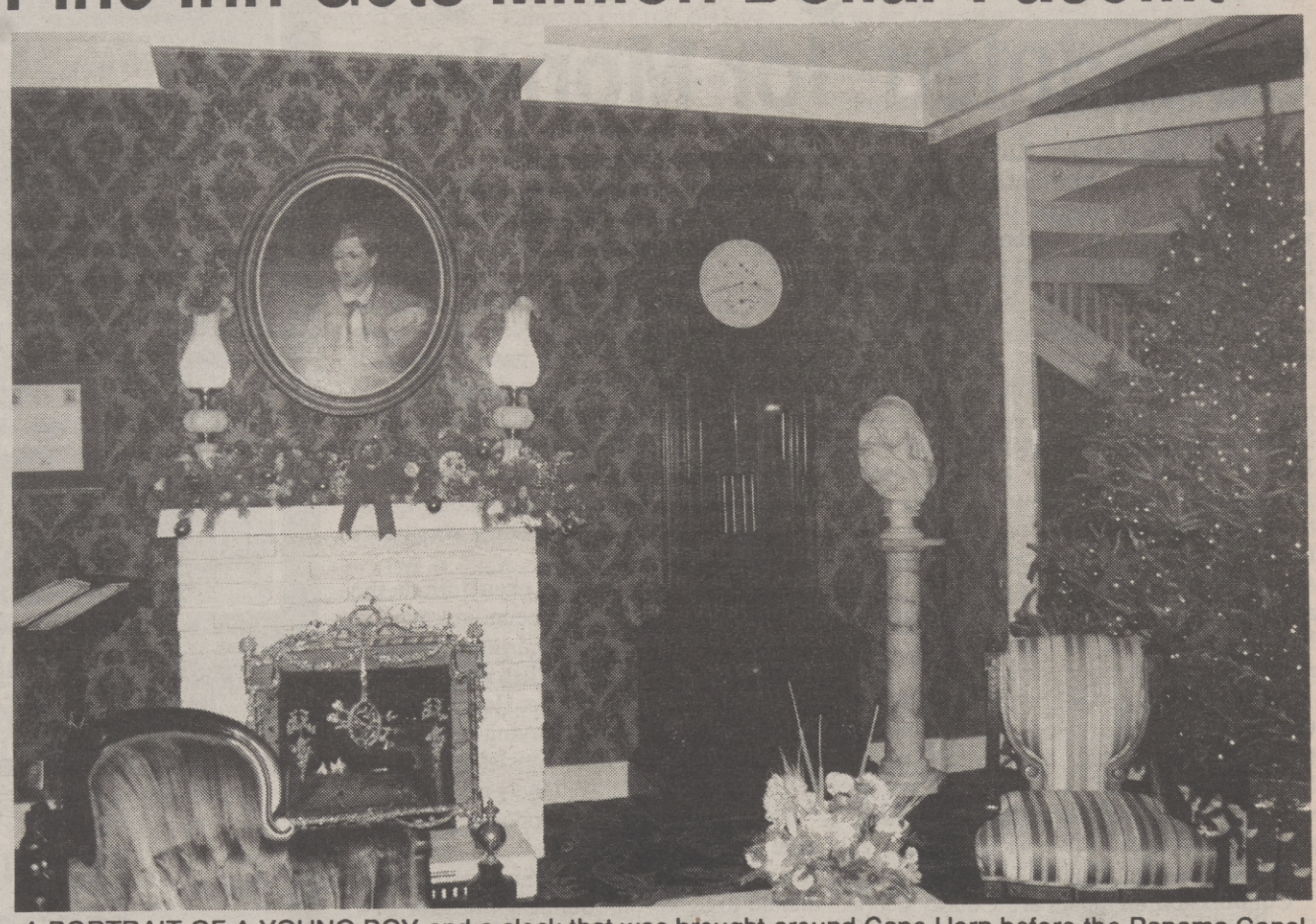
He was referring to the First Murphy house, moved from its original location to a city lot directly north of the Pine Inn in 1990. It was just dedicated last month after its restoration by a group of volunteers. The little cottage, built by Murphy when he was 17 for his mother and sisters, is now open to the public.

Although the Pine Inn lobby still looks much as it must have in 1915 when the noted actress Lotta Crabtree came to stay for Thanksgiving, present owner Richard Gunner has brought a stylish elegance back to the Pine Inn.

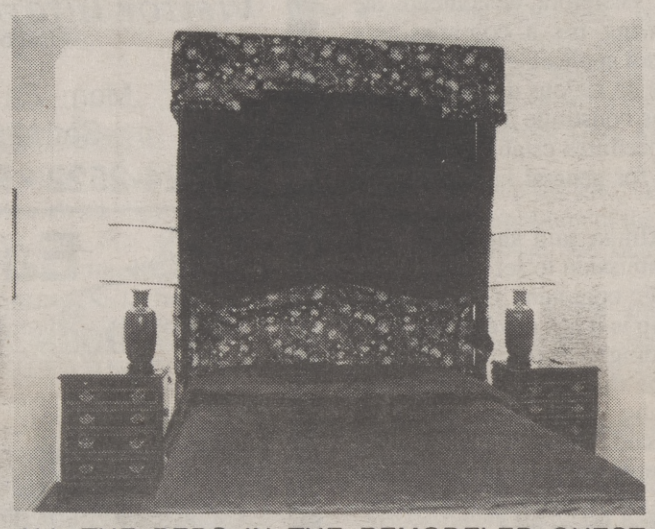
Gunner's decorator, Max Davis of Honolulu, has kept the old world feel of the hotel's early days with the use of richly colored French fabrics from Pierre Deux, which has a store at street level, and imported furnishings with an Oriental flair.

The 49 rooms rent for prices from $100 for a small room in the east wing to $205 for one of the six penthouse suites on the top floor in the north wing. Under the direction of manager John Wilson, a staff of 89 cares for the guests almost on a one-for-one basis.

Gunner, a Fresno developer, bought the hotel in 1986. It is the only hotel among his real estate holdings, according to Palmer.



A PORTRAIT OF A YOUNG BOY and a clock that was brought around Cape Horn before the Panama Canal was built still decorate the lobby of the Pine Inn.



ALL THE BEDS IN THE REMODELED GUEST ROOMS are dcorated in Pierre Dieux fabrics.

THE POPULAR RED SALOON has just been refurbished.

In addition to revamping the rooms, Wilson said the bar had just been redone in walnut and black granite with a Missoni silk fabric from Italy used for the padded walls at a cost of $10,000 just for the special wall treatment. The fabric replaced "flocked wallpaper with about 25 coats of white paint," Wilson said.

Four stained glass windows at the north end of the bar, a popular local watering hole, were removed and painstakingly replaced by a master craftsman who had to refit them after finding that two were 4 inches shorter than the others, Wilson explained. "He said they were very, very old."

Carmelites favor the bar, which bears the name, "Red Parlor," in some not so old stained glass on either side of the fireplace, after 5 p.m. and at lunch when one of the best bargains in town is the $5 crab and shrimp sandwich.

Another reason is Tony Saracas, the 80-year-old bartender, who has been mixing their drinks for the past 20 years when he moved south from a lifetime of tending bars in various locations in San Francisco. Night bartender Oscar Jayubo has been at the inn for 26 years.

Lucille Snyder at the front desk first worked for the Pine Inn in 1966, quit to have her son, and returned to stay in 1976.

"She knows all the guests," Wilson said. "What rooms they want, when they bring their kids, what they like to eat."

"I came here in the 1940's," Snyder said, "and graduated from Monterey High School."

There are tales of a resident ghost although apparently only one couple ever asked to change rooms after feeling his presence.

On a tour of the rambling building, Palmer explained that the decorators discovered the "new" maroon and cream striped wallpaper chosen for the hallways was almost identical to what had

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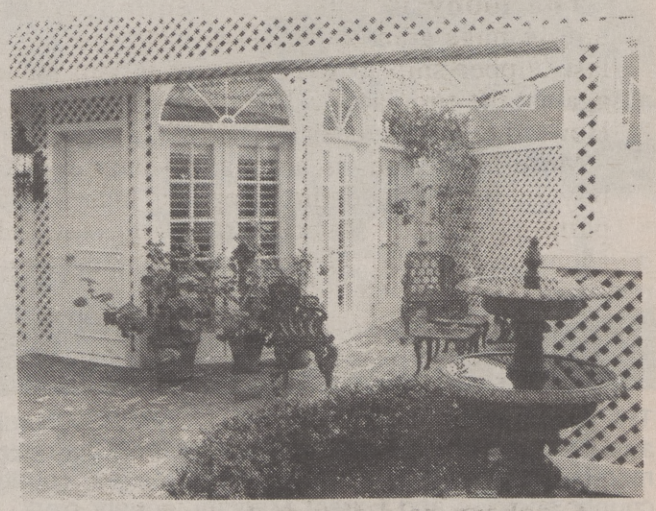

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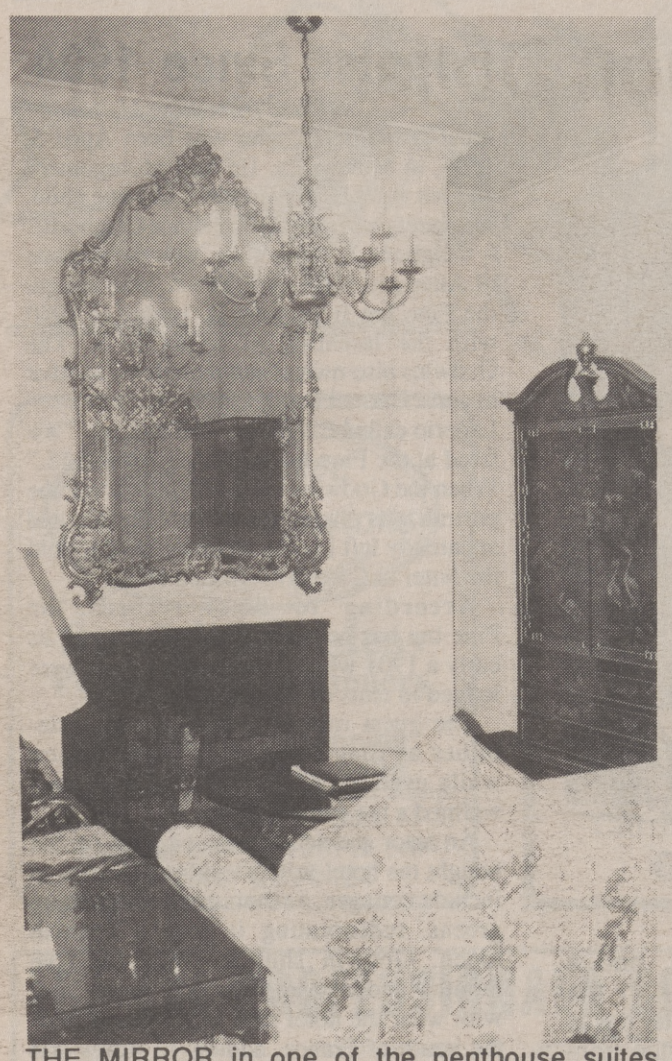

THE MIRROR in one of the penthouse suites decorates the only room with a fireplace at the Pine Inn.

Pine Inn Facelift

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been there years ago when they pulled off the old papers.

"They've found some strange things," Palmer said. "They pulled off some wallpaper and found a window behind with the drapes still pulled. We opened that up and restored the window."

The Victorian style lobby carpet, black with rose swirls, is the same carpet as in the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, Wilson said.

"We get a lot of people from the Bay area," he added, while 30 percent of the patrons come from the Fresno-Modesto areas, the 209 area code, of the Central Valley.

"We have people who've been coming for four generations," Wilson said. "There is a lot of repeat clientele. They bring back old postcards and bills to show us. We always put a bottle of champagne in the room if it's an anniversary."

Many of the customers like to spend Christmas at the Pine Inn and enjoy such leisurely pursuits as the High Tea that is served Saturdays and Sundays in the Terrace Room overlooking busy Ocean Avenue. They can drift back to the 1880's over a selection of scones, crumpets, finger sandwiches, petit fours and fruit cake. The full service hotel is open 365 days a year and serves three meals a day, including special Christmas and New Year's Eve and Christmas Day dinners.

Chef Heinz Fanderl was putting the finishing touches of snowy icing on a whimsical gingerbread cake in the lobby in time for the holiday treats. He created a little street with three storefronts, including a bakery named for himself, "Heinz's Cake Shop," and a bar and grill. A red trolley runs past. The rich aroma of ginger fills the air. The gingerbread town is called "Carmel-by-the-Snow."

The lobby is filled with antique furniture. A huge grandfather clock that came on the last clipper ship to round the cape still stands against the fireplace wall. Built in Boston by E. Howard & Co., it dates to 1865, Palmer said.

More mysterious is an oval oil painting of a boy in blue above the fireplace hearth. The painting was discovered to be of David L. Montgomery, who became a colonel in the Union Army during the Civil War.

Historical writer Elena Lagorio of Carmel wrote in a 1987 article in *The Herald* that once news of Gunner's purchase of the Pine Inn spread, a man named David A. Claghorn of Watkinsviklle, Ga., wrote food and beverage manager Ralph E. Lamar about the portrait.

Claghorn said the dark-eyed boy was his

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THE HUGE PINE INN kitchen served 750 meals at Thanksgiving.

SHOPPERS ON OCEAN AVENUE can be seen through the beveled glass oval window in the door to the lobby of the Pine Inn.

VISIBLE ACROSS THE ROOFTOP of the inn is Carmel Bay and Pebble Beach. Roof repairs have been made in the course of remodeling.

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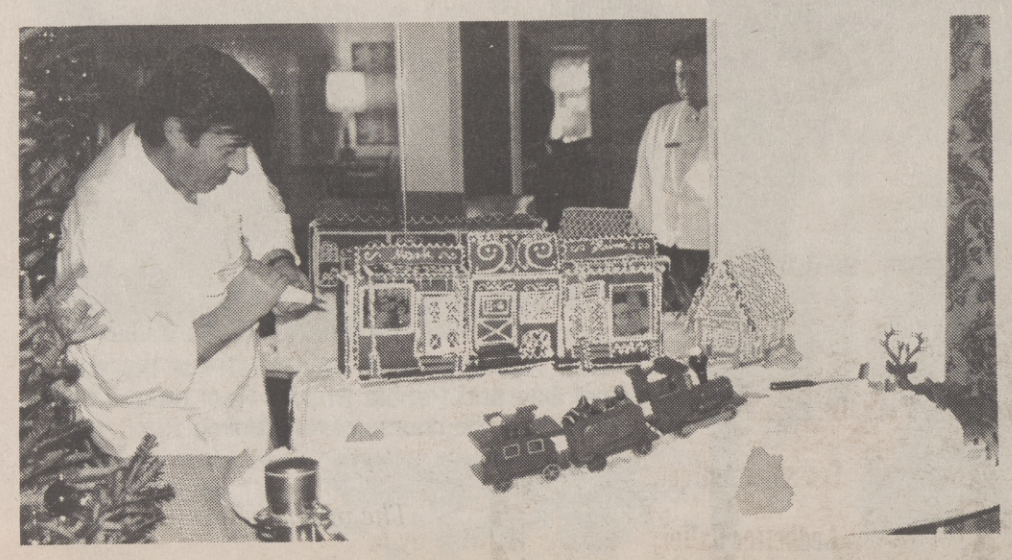

THE PINE INN, above, had a completely different look in the early part of the century after it was moved down Ocean Avenue from Junipero where it had been the Hotel Carmelo. Most of the structure still had dark shingles in those days. Decorating a street of gingerbread shops Chef Heinz Fingerle, at left, deftly uses icing to look like snow. His work of culinary art is called "Carmel-by-the-Snow." The charming scene is on display in the lobby. The artist-chef even has his own shop on his make-believe street.

Popular Since 1904

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great-grandfather, who was born April 5, 1836, in Muncy, Pa. He said Montgomery and his wife, Emily Condell, had one child, Margaret, who married Clarence Claghorn.

Claghorn, it turned out, was the stepson of Alice and Harrison Godwin, who bought the Pine Inn from John B. Jordan in 1940 with the intention of living in it. The Godwins also owned and remodeled another historic Carmel hotel, La Playa.

Lagorio called Claghorn, who told her, "We lived at the Pine Inn in Rooms 14 and 15." When the Godwins remodeled the hotel, the portrait was placed above the fireplace and apparently left behind when the couple sold the hotel to Carroll McKee in 1962.

According to hotel records, the Pine Inn has been a popular place since as early a 1904 when overbooked guests were lodged in tents on adjoining lots.

The guest register recorded such celebrities as Bing Crosby and Frank Sinatra while even W. C. Fields is said to have warmed a bar stool or two.

An actor and scholar named John Jordan bought the hotel in 1920 and expanded it to include cottages, a tennis court and putting greens, redecorating it with a Spanish touch. Godwin shut it down for five months and restored the Victorian look with what the hotel said was a touch from the south of France, adding 12 stores and the big circular garden dining room and bar. McKee enclosed the garden dining area under a glass dome that rolls back in warm weather and called it "The Gazebo" dining room.

It is the Victorian-cum-French country feel that Gunner has recreated with the upbeat elegance of the Orient in various chests, mirrors and huge Chinese flower pots. Each room has richly draped beds with matching upholstery on the furniture. Some have grand views of the ocean which was probably the reason the hotel was rolled down the street in the first place.

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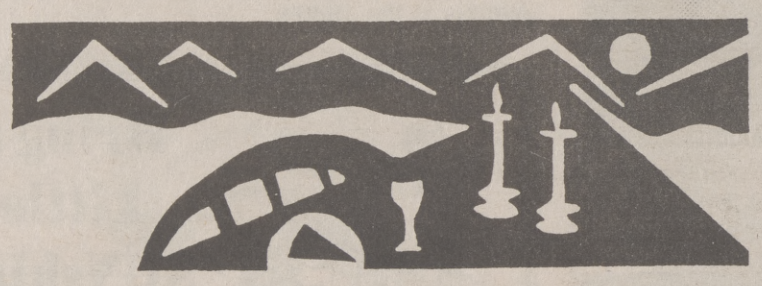

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The City Council approved the raise at the request of Acting City Administrator Greg D'Ambrosio who said the law required consideration of an increase annually. It was raised from the $25,328 fee set Nov. 7, 1989. There have been a series of increases since the fee first was set in 1972 at $4,500.

The funds collected through the years have been used to pay for two parking areas. Some $275,000 was spent for parking at Harrison Memorial Library and $158,747 for the underground garage at Dolores and 5th Avenue.

In the past two years, just three people have paid for in-lieu parking. Stella Biason paid $50,655 for two spaces in 1990-91 and made another $1,314 partial payment for part of a space this year. The General Store/Forge in the Forest paid $55,088 for 2.175 spaces this year while William Mitchell of the Schock Gallery paid $12,410.

D'Ambrosio said the city began the 1992-93 fiscal year with a balance of $134,180.

He said the new fee was based on what it would cost to build a public garage allowing 400 square feet per space.

On other parking matters, D'Ambrosio urged the council to postpone the Planning Commission's recommendations that a previous change from one to two-hour limits on parking spaces be adopted in the commercial area outside of Ocean Avenue because it was costing the city money in lost parking fine revenues. He also called for a report on changes proposed to existing loading zones. The council agreed.

It overruled the staff traffic committee which recommended against giving volunteers at the First Murphy house a dedicated parking space near the park.

"No special parking consideration is made for any other commission, committee, or volunteer group," the committee pointed out. It said unrestricted parking areas were available just one block from the house. The council amended the resolution to reflect the exact location of the stall.

Also approved was the annual extension of one hour parking to two hours throughout the commercial district from Dec. 4 through Dec. 27 during the Christmas shopping season.

Council Actions

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should not come until 40,000 square feet instead of the 30,000 square-foot lot proposed.

Under existing law, house sizes are limited to 3,500 square feet no matter the size of the lot. Larger lots were overlooked when the ordinance was approved in 1991. Attempts to correct the oversight have been underway for about a year.

Ramsey urged the council to re-examine the issue and consider excluding garages in floor area ratio, if necessary, to encourage owners of large lots to build single family houses on them rather than maximizing their investment by dividing the lots and building two or three houses.

Roseth said there are 400 parcels in the city larger than 8,000 square feet with less than 60 larger than 15,000 square feet and just nine over 30,000 square feet.

City Attorney Don Freeman said Brooks' proposal was "such a substantive change" that it needed to be noticed and a public hearing held. The council voted to bring back both proposals next month.

During consideration of the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Moffatt told the council, "We must remember what Carmel is. It's quaint little cottages."

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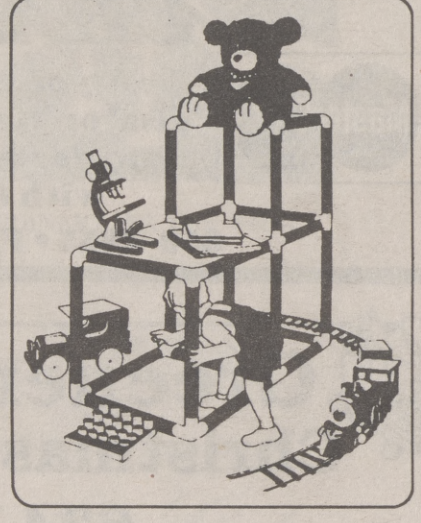

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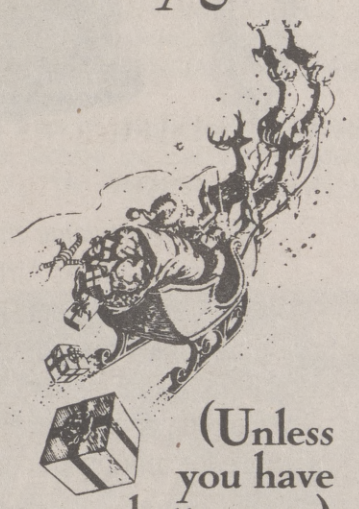

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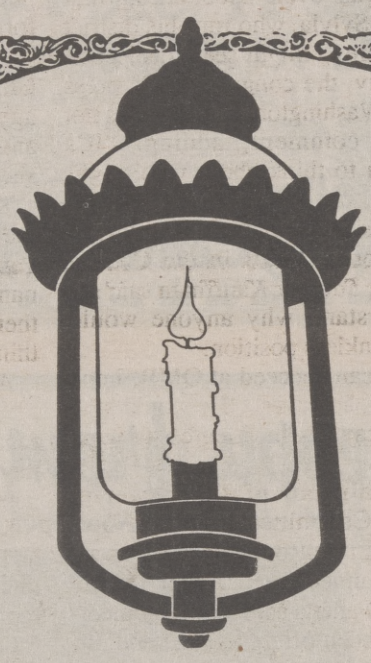

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EXPRESSING POSSIBLE INTEREST in the Congressional seat held by Leon Panetta for the past 16 years were Monterey County Supervisors Barbara Shipnuck and Sam Karas, pictured above at Bay School. Supervisor Karen Strasser Kauffman might run for Assemblyman Sam Farr's seat if he seeks to succeed Panetta. She is pictured at right with Farr and Panetta attending the dedication of the Big Sur Fire Station last summer. *Sun file photos*

No Shortage of Candidates for Panetta's Job

Continued from front page

state legislature be forced to adhere to the anti-secrecy provisions of the Brown Act.

Politicians from both parties appeared to assume that State Sen. Henry Mello of Watsonville would not be interested in making a House race because of his election as majority leader of the Senate in in Sacramento.

But there was even speculation that Panetta's wife, Sylvia, who runs his district office in Monterey, might seek to succeed him. Barry Toiv, the congressman's press spokesman in Washington, said she was not available for comment, adding, "It's premature even to think about who might run."

As for reports that Panetta was in line to become director of OMB in the Clinton Administration, Strasser Kauffman said she couldn't understand why anyone would want such a thankless position.

"If anybody can succeed at OMB, Leon can," she added, however. "He would have a Democratic majority in Congress to work with."

Panetta, chairman of the powerful House Budget Committee, met with Gov. Bill Clinton in Little Rock last week in advance of his planned Dec. 14 and 15 economic summit. Panetta said after that meeting he had not been offered a post and did not know whether he would be. Unconfirmed reports from Little Rock and Washington, however, indicated that Panetta was the leading choice for OMB, and that official word could come as early as Wednesday or Thursday.

When she was asked if she was interested in seeking Panetta's seat if he should join the administration, Shipnuck said without hesitation, "Yes, I would."

A 14-year veteran of the Board of Supervisors, she cited her experience and interest in both health care and budget reform.

"Those are two critical issues which Clinton has put at the top of his domestic agenda, and I think I have the experience and background to help deal with them," she said.

Karas was asked who he thought were the most likely Democrats to try to succeed Panetta if he joins the executive branch. He named Shipnuck without hesitation and then added, "I think Sam Farr's probably thinking about it in the back of his mind."

Asked if he would be interested, he said: **"I'd be interested but not if Barbara** runs. I wouldn't run against her, or Sam, either. They're both good friends and eminently qualified."

Should Panetta resign the House seat he had held for 16 years, state law requires that a special election be held to choose a replacement.

On the Republican side, Karas said he figured one of the strongest candidates would be Hallett, former Minority Leader in the State Assembly.

After losing a statewide race for lieutenant governor in 1982, she was appointment to an ambassadorship during the Reagan Administration before being picked to head Customs in the Bush Administration.

"She still has a home in Carmel Valley," Karas said, "I wouldn't be surprised if she came back and ran." Others said her home really was in the Highlands.

Karas suggested of the potential GOP contenders that only Hallett had the name recognition and understanding of the community to make a strong race.

"She's more moderate than conservative," he added.

McCampbell, a Pebble Beach consultant who lost to Panetta in the Nov. 3 general election by better than a 2-1 margin, clearly did not buy Karas' assessment of Hallett's strength. "I'm ready to make the race again," McCampbell told the *Sun*. "I've already declared, and our campaign has been left intact, and it's ready to go."

Dan Keig, former Monterey County Republican Party Chairman, said he didn't think Hallett would be interested in Panetta's seat. But he suggested Judy Pennycook would be a strong GOP candidate. She was appointed by Gov. Pete Wilson to replace Marc Del Piero whom he named to the State Water Resources Control Board.

"She's a problem solver," Keig said of Pennycook, "and she's got her head screwed on straight."

Susan Whitman of Pacific Grove, a Republican who lost to Farr in a bitter race for the assembly in November, said she could "hardly wait" to seek the seat again if Farr should vacate it.

"Oh, sure," she said, "I was planning on running again in '94. If we have a special election before then, that will be fine with me."

She also proposed the name of another potential Democratic assembly candidate, Supervisor Fred Keely of Santa Cruz, a former Farr aide.

Monterey Mayor Dan Albert's friends said he probably would be interested in running for the Board of Supervisors, depending on how things turned out. He told the *Sun* some people had talked to him about it, but was non-committal beyond that.

The names of two members of the water management district board from Carmel Valley, Dick Heuer and Fran Farina, popped up often in discussions of other potential supervisors' candidates.

"I wouldn't preclude it as an option," Farina told the *Sun*, "but we need to wait and see exactly what happens." A lawyer, she noted that a person can run for a new position without giving up a present one. "They only have to resign if they win," she said.

Asked if she would run against Heuer if he decided to seek a supervisors' seat, she said: "Probably not. But we'd have to get together and decide who was the better candidate."

But Heuer said he wasn't interested, although he had considered it earlier. He explained he had taken a part-time consultant's job with a Defense Department research group in Monterey.

For his part, Farr said he had mixed emotions about the prospect that Panetta might no longer represent the district, saying he had served the Central Coast well.

He suggested that Panetta might not get a job offer, noting that Clinton had said he wanted diversity in his top advisors and all the names being bandied about so far were of white males.

Saying a lot of people had approached him about seeking the seat, Farr predicted flatly that, "The Democrats are going to win it."

Steps to Fill Panetta's Seat Outlined

Assistant County Registrar Tony Anchundo said Rep. Leon Panetta could help the financially strapped county by timing any resignation so a special election to fill his seat could be held during the regularly scheduled June 8 vote.

Noting that three supervisors' seats are scheduled to be filled in the June 8 balloting, Anchundo said the elections code sets specific timing for special elections and suggested Panetta help the county to comply with it if he does take a post in the Clinton Administration.

Should the Carmel Valley Democrat resign, Gov. Pete Wilson has 14 days in which to call for a special election to fill the vacancy in the 17th Congressional district, he said. Anchundo added that the law requires the final runoff election to fill the seat to be held no sooner than 112 days and no later than 119 days after the governor's call.

A primary election must be held eight weeks prior to the scheduled final vote. If any candidate should receive 50 percent of the vote plus one vote, he or she would be elected and the runoff vote cancelled.

If no candidate achieves such a majority in the primary, the runoff must be held. With all the candidates expressing interest in succeeding Panetta, it seems almost certain that a runoff will be necessary.

Anchundo walked through the timing for the *Sun*, assuming for illustration purposes that Panetta would resign Jan. 21, the day after Gov. Bill Clinton's inauguration. Based on that assumption, here is the elections timetable:

- Gov. Wilson would have to issue the call for a special election no later than Feb. 4.
- The filing period to succeed Panetta would run from Feb. 2 to Feb. 22.
- The primary election for Panetta's seat would be April 6.
- A runoff vote, if necessary, would be held Tuesday, June 1.
- The regularly scheduled June 8 election would be to fill three supervisors' seats—a vote that had been delayed a year by a court fight over redrawing new districts following the 1990 census.

"I'm sure someone will mention to Mr. Panetta that he could help the county's fiscal situation by postponing his resignation... It would be a definite benefit to us if we can put them (elections) all together," Anchundo said.

As for subsequent elections that may be necessary to fill other vacancies that could be triggered by Panetta's move to the new administration, Anchundo declined to speculate when they might be held.

"They can't run for two different positions at the same time," he said of politicians wishing to take advantage of Panetta's decision to move up. "But they don't have to give up their existing position until they're elected to a new one."

YESTERYEARS

By Elizabeth Barratt

Happy Holidays! Seems like just the other day we were fixin' to hold our annual History Society Christmas bash, and now, by magic, that time of year's rolling around once again.

Members and their guests will be holding the shindig on Dec. 12 at 2 p.m. at Rosie's Cracker Barrel. Our pot luck is always well-attended, with plenty of food and fun to share with our friends and newcomers. Volunteers are still needed for set-up and take down, so call Chairperson for the event, Janna Gregory, at 624-9611.

By now everyone's read the article by Stan Hall in the 11/26/92 *Sun* about the recent word that the Carmel Valley History Society has been asked to vacate the space we've enjoyed using over the past several years. The old Bank of America Building, which the society has tried to purchase, is beyond our current means at present. Without a Christmas angel's help, the $600,000 asking price is simply not possible.

Emergency meetings both by the board and general membership have brought forth some suggestions as to how we proceed from here in our search for museum space. At very least, we're looking for office space, preferably in the Village, where the public can contact us or come in for information. We also desperately need storage space for our collection, which has grown considerably over the past few years.

If you have any ideas, or can contribute clean, secure, dry storage, or space in general for the History Society to use, move into, or occupy even temporarily, please contact one of our members, or call Ellsworth Gregory at 624-9611. Or, stop by Stew's Plumbing and talk to Stew.

Contributions would also be appreciated if we are forced to rent space at the going rate! Public help is needed now as never before! We must vacate the bank building by the end of the year.

Good news, now! Stephanie Culbert and I have been looking into a field trip with a little "something extra!" We are planning to organize a train trip to Sacramento! The train leaves San Jose early in the morning and arrives at our State capital a few hours later.

We're looking at a date early in 1993. We'll be arranging to have a private tour of the California collection at the California State Library, with possible side trips to the Railroad Museum, Sutter's Fort, the Capitol and Old Town, time permitting! Many members have expressed interest in an overnight, possibly at the riverboat-hotel Delta King, so we can take our time and see all the historic sights in this lovely city.

A highly successful field trip was enjoyed by some 66 members and guests last month when the History Society was invited to see Monterey County's largest redwood tree, located on the property of the former Moran Lumber Co. which is now under the auspices of the Big Sur Land Trust. We felt very privileged to be allowed to tour this lovely acreage.

The Carmel Valley History Society has been offered 1,000 bricks from the old Spreckels Sugar Refinery, when the massive brick building is demolished. All local history societies were invited by the County to choose artifacts from this old factory, which is scheduled to come down following extensive 1989 earthquake damage.

In time, the bricks will be incorporated into our museum structure, when the society finally realizes its dream of a museum space! The brick decor will be a nice reminder of Monterey County's past, being passed on.

The Carmel Valley History Society takes this opportunity to wish you and yours the very finest holidays ever!

TOM OCAMPO poses with a traditional hutch he built over the past two months using oak and a special quilted maple from Oregon. Built on consignment for a Carmel Valley woman, he said the project represented everything he had learned in 12 years of furniture making. He said Charlie Augustitus designed the lathe that turned the special "French twist" columns that adorn the bottom, and sculptor Mark Andrew designed brass pulls that replicated the look of the twist.

RIPPLING RIVER residents held their annual Christmas bazaar Saturday featuring arts and crafts they have produced during the year. Above, Jane Wheeler, Adult Education Teacher Lily Kotler, Carolyn Metcalf and Kenneth Bizzini pack up some of their wares.

BARGAINS GALORE were the order of the day at the annual Tularcitos School Toy Faire where youngsters swapped or sold toys they have outgrown and picked up other ones more to their liking. *Sun photos by Stan Hall*

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DISCOVERY – THE LIVELY ARTS

By Barbara Rose Shuler

The world-renowned Berlin Philharmonic Chamber Music Ensemble arrived in Pebble Beach last week to present a series of five concerts benefitting Music Monterey and the Pebble Beach Foundation.

The Del Monte Forest makes such an ideal location for a quality classical music event that it is amazing that this Chamber Music Festival is the first of its stature to be presented. The ensemble played music of Beethoven, Mozart, Dvorak, Schumann and Haydn rotating the works to create five distinct programs.

The performances were offered at private Pebble Beach residences, the Inn at Spanish Bay and Robert Louis Stevenson School. The only recent musical event to come out of Pebble Beach to rival this festival was the appearance of the famous tenor Luciano Pavarotti two and a half years ago—an extraordinary performance made possible by resident Tibor Rudas.

The First Pebble Beach Chamber Music Festival came into being through the efforts of Larry Seeman, executive vice president of the Pebble Beach Co. and current president of Youth Music Monterey. "A number of residents in the Del Monte Forest are quite involved in musically on a world wide basis," Seeman explained. One of the residents, Michio Inakage, whom we met some time back had indicated an interest in helping the Pebble Beach Co. bring an event such as this into the Del Monte Forest."

Inakage has personal contacts with members of the Berlin Philharmonic and has worked with them in the past. As creative counsel for the project he helped Seeman to organize the festival around the busy schedules of the performers.

I attended a performance Saturday afternoon at the Spanish Bay Ballroom. The enthusiastic audience heard an excellent program of works by Mozart, Beethoven and Schumann. The musicians began with Mozart's Piano Quartet No. 2 in E-Flat Major, K-493. Richly textured and satisfying, the quartet seemed to serve as a warm up piece for the ensemble.

As a music lover, I listen for something beyond technical proficiency. I seek magic, a quality of perfection that resonates in the heart and elevates the spirit. I want to be moved, touched and transported in some way—a fulfillment reaching beyond the notes, beyond technique. Truly great musicians give this quality abundantly in performance. The Berlin Philharmonic Ensemble began with technical excellence in the Mozart piece, wonderfully executed but missing the extra flowing ease of musicians who have found the magic zone.

The Beethoven Serenade in D Major that followed delighted the listeners with a lovely, romantic, soulful mood which made an ideal transition from the Mozart quartet, echoing some of its playfulness. The shimmering essence I was looking for started to emerge in the Serenade.

At this point a substitution was made in the program exchanging Mozart's 6 Variation in G Minor, K.360 for the planned Haydn String Quartet in F Major. It was here that the program took off. The variations for violin and piano, inspired by a popular French melody, "I Lost my Beloved One" from "Au Bord d'une Fontaine" (At the Side of a Fountain), was the jewel of the afternoon. Played by Allessandro Cappone, first violinist of the Berlin Philharmonic and pianist Norberto Capone, this second Mozart piece was haunting, beautiful and superbly performed.

With the Schumann Piano Quintet in E-Flat Major, the magic flowered into a splendid, energetic and rapturous rendering. The musicians were clearly most at home with Schumann, making a vibrant conclusion to an excellent program of chamber music. Eberhard Finke, a superb cellist, violinist Eva-Maria Tomasi and violist Zvi Carmeli were the other three members of the ensemble.

Dinner followed at the Bay Club—sumptuous gourmet dining at one of the peninsula's finest restaurants. The First Pebble Beach Chamber Music Festival with these talented members of the Berlin Philharmonic has been a splendid addition to local culture. I hope the Pebble Beach Co. and the contributing residents of Del Monte Forest will continue to offer programs of this high quality to our community. By the way, allowing young people into the performance at the Keck auditorium free of charge was an excellent touch. It is important that as many people as possible have opportunities to hear great classical performances. For young people it is especially important. Thank you for the gift!

Sheriff Asks for Teddy Bears

Sheriff Norman Hicks has announced his department is collecting new and good condition used teddy bears to donate to children who might not otherwise receive a Christmas gift. Deliver to the Sheriff's Substation, at 1200 Aguajito Road in Monterey or call 755-3772 for arrangements to have the items picked up if delivery is difficult.

"SPIRIT WINDS," a mixed media painting by Emy Ledbetter, is typical of the work that will be on display Dec. 14 at the Portofino Cafe in Pacific Grove. The cafe will hold an event called "Seeing, Feeling and Hearing Art Messages from the Heart" with an accompaniment by Patricia Mann "using the energies of sound." Ledbetter has a gallery in the Morgan Court between Ocean and 7th Avenue in Carmel.

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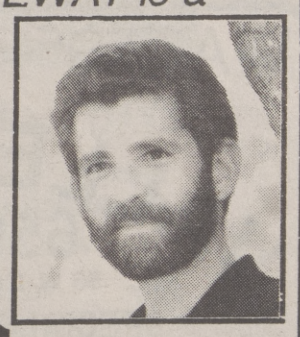

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FUN-IN-THE-SUN

BY DAVE LYON

Last week, I was wandering through a store I can't recall at the moment, and saw, yes, a Santa hat for my dog, and I realized the holiday season was upon us, if not already totally out of control. I panicked. I mean, I don't even know what I want for Christmas (did I miss Thanksgiving?), and now I have to worry about what my two Golden Retrievers want (will it fit? Does it clash?), and I haven't even picked out cards yet.

Okay, so not to worry. This is what I'm going to do. On Dec. 12, I'm taking the two dogs down to the Community Center following the big annual Santa's Fly-In at Carmel Valley Airport, put 'em on old Santa's lap, and let them tell him what they want. Not a bad idea, eh?

Santa knows they've both been good this year (not!), so now all I have to worry about is how to fax this fruit cake down to New Zealand, same Zip code as the Planet Zot.

One last time, gang. The incredible 34th annual Santa's Fly-In is this weekend. And as everyone knows, this big event kicks off the official start to the Carmel Valley Christmas Party season.

Anyone who doesn't make it to the Carmel Valley Airfield Saturday won't get their picture in the *Sun*. Santa will arrive at 11 a.m. But be sure and get there early to enjoy hot drinks and goodies while you watch the parade get organized (Hey, isn't that Randy Randazzo running around like crazy?)

There's going to be fire trucks, clowns, old cars, a marching band, horses, balloons, cheerleaders, decorated bikes and at least two Golden Retrievers with Santa hats.

All you kids planning on riding your bikes in the parade as a part of the decorated bike contest are urged to get to the airfield by 10 a.m.The judging will take place before the parade. (Hey, There are great prizes from a local bike shop.)

And good luck to all of you who entered the contest to win the sleigh ride with Santa. We'll be drawing the name of one Valley boy and girl just before the parade, and those two youngsters get to ride in the parade with Santa from the airstrip to the Community Center.

Once at the Community Center, everyone is invited to enjoy an afternoon of Christmas fun. After you;ve had your photo taken with Mr. and Mrs. Santa, stay and check out Santa's Toy Shop, Christmas Tree Lane, face painting, games for kids, a bake sale, pony rides through the park and the Carmel Valley premier of "Moosehead" egg-nog.

According to the latest tally, 357 of you youngsters have reported in to the Community Center as having been "nice" during the past year, and only 35 have acknowledged they were "naughty." These figures may not be accurate, as we understand Tiffany Mancebo was counted twice. Debi Effron at the CVCYC is still collecting names up until the 12th, so be sure to report in. All the names will be passed on to Santa.

After the Fly-In has come and gone, give Randy Randazzo a few days to rest up from the rigors of organizing the parade, and then go talk to him about purchasing a personalized stone to be placed along the newest section of walkway at Carmel Valley Park. This is a great way to remember a loved one or even make your own name famous while supporting our Valley Park. Hey, this would make a great Christmas present for someone! Get in touch with Randy at his Carmel Valley Market for details.

Another neat thing to do is go check out the new gazebo that is being built in the park. It's the generous donation of a Valley couple, and we will have the chance to thank them properly when the gazebo is finished and dedicated, probably some time in January. We'll let you know.

That donation sort of makes you want to stand up and support the CVCYC, doesn't it? Remember, the success of the Youth Center depends on the support it receives from the people who live here.

Please take a minute to answer our recent mailing, either by renewing your $25 membership or becoming a new member of the CVCYC family. If you need information on how to support the Community Center, give Debi Effron a call at 659-3983.

In the meantime, don't miss the Fly-In, and look out for dogs wearing silly holiday hats.

DOMINIQUE BASTIN AND MARC VANDEHOVE, two natives of Liege, Belgium, who did not know each other until they met two years ago in Carmel Valley were to be married Thursday in Las Vegas. The Bon Appetit Restaurant which they operate was closed while they celebrated their marriage. Faithful customers and friends Jeanne and Bob Bickel, who eat lunch and dinner at the restaurant every day, accompanied the couple to witness the marriage. "They are almost family instead of customers," Bastin said. *Sun photo by Carolyn Rice*

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OUT AND ABOUT

BY ISABELLE HALL

The nation's capital is getting ready for big changes when Bill Clinton becomes president that will be felt down to the grassroots of that politically acute town on the Potomac.

Politics pervades life, of course, but unless you have lived in Washington, D.C., you can't quite imagine how pervasive it is. I remember when Richard Nixon became president after eight years of Kennedy and Johnson. The Republicans were ecstatic. The powers that be in Washington—the partners of the big law firms, the lobbyists, the think tank folks, the press, the bureaucrats—whether Democrat or Republican were not so thrilled.

The Nixon group was perceived as a dull bunch, and Washington likes nothing more than big party givers, sophisticated dinners, gorgeous galas that take over the Smithsonian and intimate evenings such as the Pablo Casals concert the Kennedys put on. It also liked the Kennedy shenanigans at Bobby's McLean estate where things would get a little rough sometimes and everyone would end up in the pool.

The time Ethel Kennedy, as mischievous as any of them, decorated her dining room table with live frogs that promptly scared the guests into mild hysterics was seen as gutsy entertainment.

So, it was not so surprising in retrospect that John and Martha Mitchell became the social highlights of the Nixon Administration. No one would ever have thought that the staid bond attorney from Rye, N.Y., picked to be the attorney general would rival Secretary of State Henry Kissinger in popularity. You have to put them in the context of the gray group of men picked for the Nixon Cabinet. It was impossible to imagine any of them ever throwing anyone into a pool, and there would be no frogs at their wives' tables.

Part of it was the incredible power Mitchell had as Nixon's campaign manager and former law partner that reached far beyond the Justice Department. Every Washington hostess worth the salt on her table wants people with power at her parties.

But Mitchell had two other things: a wry sense of humor and Martha.

I will never forget the first time I saw Martha Mitchell of Pine Bluff, Ark. I was sitting at my desk in the Justice Department press room directly opposite the office of the attorney general when sashaying down the hall came this blonde woman in a full length fox coat, teetering on the highest heels, looking for her husband's office.

As the UPI Justice Department correspondent, I invited the Mitchells to be my guests at the Women's National Press Club annual party. They were thrilled to come, Martha said, and did they ever wow those celebrity-hardened reporters. To my total amazement, veteran newswomen lined up to get Martha's autograph.

Dressed in a low-cut, strapless gown befitting a buxom Southern belle, Martha simply charmed the hell out of Washington. I invited them to everything I could think of, and they always came.

As the years went by, Martha took to calling me at all hours of the day or evening to tell me what was on her mind. You may have heard some of those reports. She had opinions on everything and had no compunction about making them public, opinions on the Vietnam War, liberals, the Democrats.

I figured she was saying what her husband really wanted to say but couldn't, or wouldn't, because of his position. In the early days, even Nixon liked what she said.

I took to keeping a fresh pad of paper and pen by every phone in the house to be ready when Martha called. Her comments made good copy that was usually played in newspapers and on television across the nation.

Unfortunately for her, Martha talked too much. I began to get telephone calls from officials in the White House suggesting that she was a drunk, or worse, and I ought to take that into consideration. Such calls only made me mad. In my experience, John was the drinker, and he was lucky to have Martha watching out for him.

Jack Nelson, Washington bureau chief of the Los Angeles Times, figured Martha knew the whole story of Watergate, the infamous building she lived in. She probably did, but we left Washington and UPI shortly after the break-in, and I wasn't there for her sad ending.

I know she was a sharp cookie.

On New Year's Eve, 1971, I gave a party for a bunch of journalist friends at our house in McLean which happened to be just down the road from the home of Richard Kliendienst, then deputy attorney general to Mitchell.

Shortly after midnight as I recall, the phone rang. "I hear you'all are having a big party down there, and I want to know how come you didn't ask John and me." It was Martha, bored

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with the Kliendienst party where she said she was "tending the bar."

I said it had never occurred to me that they would want to come to my little party. Well, she did and they did, in about 15 minutes. Our guests were getting ready to leave, and Stan told them they might want to stay on as the Mitchells were enroute.

We lived a quarter mile up a narrow, dirt road with a somewhat confining turnaround for cars at the end of the driveway. It was with total amazement that we watched as the lights of about six big, black government limousines marched up our hill.

It was with even more amazement that we watched as out came Martha and John, her son, Jay, two public relations men, assorted other assistants and about four FBI agents, the bodyguards.

John was feeling no pain. After we got a glass of scotch in his hand, he proceeded to discourse on a number of subjects to our fascinated reporter guests.

Our big German Shepherd, Lobo, didn't take to Mitchell, even if he was the attorney general, and started barking nonstop at him despite my efforts to hush him up.

"Is that your dog?" Mitchell hollered at me over the noise, his teeth clenched around his ever-present pipe.

"Why, yes," I said. "I can't imagine why he is barking like that."

"Well," said Mitchell, his eyes twinkling with that oddball sense of humor, "Tell him to shut up or I'll bite him."

Meanwhile, Martha decided that John must eat something after a night of many cocktails, but my guests had virtually eaten everything in sight.

"Now I know a good hostess like you can always fix up a plate," she smiled sweetly at me. I tried but Mitchell wasn't the least bit interested in food.

In fact, he ended up on our bed, more or less passed out. At this point, Martha called me in to my own bedroom no less for a private conference to say she would like to get the FBI agents to carry him out but didn't want to do that if I had any other reporters still in the house. She was scared to death someone would talk about it. She even called me the next day and asked if I would give her the names of everyone who was there.

I told her that no one would ever repeat a thing that happened, let alone print it, at any fellow reporter's private party, certainly not at my house.

And that was pretty much the code by which we all lived at that time, just 20 odd years ago.

As hot news as the Mitchells were, not one word of that curious episode ever became public until right now. I figure if anyone has the right to talk about it, I do. And, I do so simply to make the point years after the fact that Martha Mitchell got a bad rap.

Ironically, it was Watergate that changed that unwritten code of reporters' behavior toward public officials. There is no doubt we in the press were wrong in being too protective of some of the people we covered, but I still tend to operate on the same principal. Either you never have a private party or you simply don't repeat anything based on that private meeting.

The way around it is to ask the news source at a later date if he or she will repeat what they said for the record at another time. It is critical to maintain the adversarial relationship between the press and politicians and government officials. Still, given the proximity in which we all work, there must be room for civilized behavior.

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Grade 12

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High Honors (3.74-3.50)

Humiston, Lauren; Kraft, Erin; Stiles, Nathan; Caylor, Kelli; Freedman, Maya; Irwin, Serra; Masliyan, Ranon; Travaille, Matthew; Allaire, Robert; Hill, Elizabeth; Perkins, Wendy Sue; Tedrow, Jon; Briant, Mark; Hennessy, Maureen; Oksayan, Parsegh; Aldrich, Jaminia; Norris, Holly; Petalver, Janell; Owens, Matthew; Kleinberg, Jennifer; Northcote, Stafford; and White, Rachel.

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Silva, Leticia; Levine, Mike; Shahvaran, Zagros; Cardenas, Elisa; Moses, Erin; Hansman, Amber; Masaoka, Anne; Nicholson, Thad; Parsons, Allison; Santa Maria, Leilani; Williams, Amy; Williams, Mark; Allard, Amy; Suwono, Andri; Tiradani, Gabriel; Covell, Stephen; Yturralde, Kashi; Colman, Dylan; Scholl, Erin; Corso, Colby; Getz, James; Morton, Bret; Murphy, Paul; Antuzzi, Lisa; McPhee, Sara; Kurz, Kimberly; Lewis, Timothy; Trotter, Timber; Babbitt, Jill; Blief, Jorn-Hendrick; Bradford, Clover; Friday, Paul; Keir, Guy; Morgan, Christopher; Snyder, Kristan; Gudgeon-Buich, Cali; Harris, Aryn; Vandervort, January; Pena, Fabio; Simmons, Richard; Colliard, Marc; Prasert, Cho; Baker, Whitnee; Boehlje, Sean; Butler, Brett; Thompson, Lance; Kreps, Sebastian; Claesson, Christina; Conway, Adam; D'Attilio, Jennifer; Ebright, Hilary; Guerin, Eric; Higgins, Daniel; Licsko, Adam; Millan, Matthew; Peacock, Ethan; Reimers, Kristi; Sarkin, Brian; Webb, Lindsay; Weiner, Joshua; and Zurlinden, David.

Grade 11

Highest Honors (4.00-3.75)

Silver, Daniel; Wall, Danielle; Genone, James; Tanaka, Keiko; Melton, Samuel; Pappas, Oliver; Roberts, Brandon;and Alaniz, Enrique.

High Honors (3.74-3.50)

Beerman, Jennifer; Underwood, Belinda; Allard, Frank; Lande, Micah; Erk, Shannon; Bautista, Navaree; Retherford, Robin; Ito, Haruno; Allen, Christie; Cook, Andrew; Barnes, Cameron; Cassidy, Nichole; Erk, Holly; Hawley, Inga; Pettit, Molly; Rosen, Johanna; and Turner, Shayne.

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Picard, Danielle; Struve, Brittany; Shannon, Alyssa; Sheedy, Joseph; Thorngate-Keel, Nelli; Ubaura, Chie; Ibsen, Bjorn; Robinson, Gloyd; Eyerman, Jennifer; Kistenmacher, Jason; Sullivan, Amanda; Satow, Tisha; Skondin, Daniel; Dillard, Louie; Hernandez, Carmen; Serrano, Patricia; Braden, Nicole; Cowen, Genesta; Jan, Daniel; Miller, Angela; Nilsson, Liv; Palshaw, Michael; Riegel, Matthew; Ockert, Amy; Battaglia, Lisa; Brooks, Larry; Goldman, Matthew; Shiffman, Carrie; Terui, Sakura; Jepson, Peter; Farrow, Jamie; Teti, Drew; Vorobiov, Alex; Davidson, Jodi; Edwards, Jason; Scollan, Cooper; Suh, Luna; Wynn, Christopher; Belisario, Chad; Carr, Madeleine; Gates, Heather; Pollock, Joshua; Watts, Todd; Sadduk, Ala; MacMillan, Jacquelin; Bleich, Christopher; Martine, Megan; Spaulding, Jonathan; Taylor, Brandon; Brockmire, Lansida; Butte, Joshua; Crosby, Phillip; Decker, Kyle; Fellini, Kaliah; Geisen, Loch; Koppel, Justin; Lozano, Santiago; Nunez, Guadalupe; and Pullen, Renee.

Grade 10

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Evans, Celeste; Gray, Stacey; Moore, Annelise; Seltzer, Malia; Simon, Illona; Sutherlin, Mac; Woytak, Adele; Andrews, Brooke; Stuber, Christianna; Freitas, Erica; Kattan, Jessica; Thompson, Benjamin; White, Aiyana; Hoskins, Todd; Belanger, Natasha; Suwono, Sylvia; McAnaney, Mahlon; Haller, Michael; Evans, Mandy; and Eaton, Sarah.

High Honors (3.74-3.50)

Seltzer, Lealoha; Bobay, Elan; Wilson, Morgan; Jordan, Senta; Larson, Erica; McCormack, Meredith; Harrold, Somer; Humiston, Adrianne; Underwood, Melissa; Nichols, Kyle; Vega, Donald; Butler, Stephanie; Nunez, Felicitas; McMahan, Brandon; Johnson, Greg; and Wirtz, Kyle.

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Altamira-Almazan,Alejandra; Peacher, Pamela; Bautista, Arianne; Biblarz, Avner; Pacitto, Ashley; Lee, Janet; Manke, Jessica; Milligan, Brandon; Thorn, Stephanie; Croswell, Christy; Emmons, Summer; Petersen, Paul; Querfurth, Mattea; Scholl, Jennifer; Crosby, Laurie; Smith, Carolyn; D'Angelo, Harmony; Lewis, Genevieve; Moore, Sarita; Schlegel, Paul; Stamp, Jake; Summers, Jennifer; Surbridge, Ann; Walch, Jessica; Call, Tracy; Ramos-Kaufman, Courtney; and Rex Wilcox.

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Grade 8

Highest Honors (4.0)

Austin, Huntley; Kistenmacher, Allison; Moss, Jessica; Pfeiffer, John; Roberts, Reid; Robinson, Nicole; Swearingen, Dora; Waller, Jason; and Yee, Michael.

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Honors

Alexndre, Trevor; Bailey, Joshua; Baker, Aaron; Benigni, Georgia; Bernahl, David; Borek, Matthew; Brenner, Raiden; Camp-Sassarini, Austin; Capestro, Christopher; Cohen, Michael; Colby, Kyle; Cook, Benjamin; Cresap, Kimberlee; Damiano, Lynn; Dimitrakopoulous, Peter; Dougherty, Shannon; Duarte, Lea; Eggleston, Rushad; Entropo, Maia; Fortrie, Mieke; Gilliland, Erik; Grimes, Carrie; Guerrero, Oscar; Hopkins, Joy; Huntington, Brian; Ito, Atsuhito; Jamieson, Rebecca; Jolley, Marc; King, Darien; Kozicki, Konrad; Krasnow, Lee; Kusama, Daiki; Langston, Lacey; Leen, Megann; Leger, Yvette; Leonoff, Nicholas; McAnaney, Michael; McGowan, Laura; McKillop, Gregory; McVey, Elizabeth; Mouton, Christopher; Oettinger, Christina; Olvera, Gretchen; Pallistrini, Kristofer; Parker, Carey; Paterson, III, Mackenzie; Perez, Sandra; Pierce, Andrew; Salsbury, Mischa; Saxton, Jacob; Schuh, Misty; Smith-Thomas, Solera; Spellman, Alexandra; stiles, Tim; Subridge, Molly, Sutton Heidi; Travaille, Ryan; Ushakoff, Ruesslan; Waddell, Jennifer; Walker, Joseph; Wall, Matthew; Webb, Susan; Wilson, Spencer; Woytak, Lilly; and Zarum, Nathan.

Grade 7

Highest Honors (4.0)

Bradley, Jasmine; Coombe, Sarah; Fogg, Trevor; Greenfield, Sandy; Harper, Christy; Kang, Janet; and Melton, Amy.

High Honors

Andrew, Zephyr; Auld-Susott, Evan; Brewer, Erica; Call, Katherine; Cho, Min; Churchill, Sara; Clarke, Krista; Cleary, Cicely; Cowen, Noah; Cox, Cameron; Cushman, Jennifer; Eccher, Jamie; Eversz, Arwen; Gibson, Zachary; Green, Rebekah; Greenberg, Lauren; Holine, Sarah; Klein, Lauren; Lamas-Striplin, Heather; Latta, Danielle; Lewis, Anne-Marie; Little, Chris; MacDonald, Emily; Magee, Andrea; Mahoney, Chase; Meyerhoff, Jessamyn; Moon, Keath; Perlmutter, Juliette; Reese, Cody; Rinderknecth, Derek; Skondin, Thais; Star, China; Tate, Kristine; and Vorbobiov, Sasha.

Honors

Allen, Molly, Augustitus, Jason; Butler, Thomas; Byrd, Elliott; Campbell, Nicholas; Chow, Patrick; Coke, Lorraine; Cresap, Courtney; Curtis, Chantal; Curtis, Leila; Datt, Ashwin; Davis, Traci; Dietrich, Geoffrey; Dietrich, Nathan; Ducoing, Christina; Felsinger, Rachel; Frazer, Ryan; Freedman, Zak; Grewell, Joe; Guerrero, Juan; Hill, Jean-Paul; Infelise, Renee; James, Gabrielle; Jamison, Peter; Kabat, Jessica; Kohnke, Elisabeth; Langsleytt, Erik; LeValley, Alyse; Livesey, Carli; Luke, Jaedra; Mancebo, Amber; McNamara, Kiera; McNamara, Shannon; Miller, Erin; Miller, Julia; Morgenrath, Kendra; Nakamura, Jeffrey; Nemeth, Dashiel; Nishiguchi, Trent; Olow, Angela; Ordjonikidze, Lyra Rose; Pascoe, Kinsey; Pellerin, Lindsey; Perez, Narciso; Pressman, Eric; Rodriguez, Benjamin; Root, Jennefer; Rosenthal, Danny; Severson, Elijah; Silver, Jacob; Smallwood, Zoe; Stalder, Nicole; Stream, Brian; Sullivan, Erin; Tescher, Kerry; Thoma, Jennifer; Thomas, Sadie; Tullus, Sarah; Twa, Rebecca; Walker, Jessica; Weber, Davi; Weisman, Briana; White, Shyamala; Wolter, Russel II. Woodward, Jeremy; and Zobel, April.

Grade 6

Highest Honors (4.0)

Bottemanne, Alexandra and Stoffers, Hank.

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Honors

Baer, Nikolas; Barclift, Rain; Battaglia, John; Biason, Angela; Bottemanne, Maaike; Brandt, Julien; Bray, Jessica; Brown, Joshua; Callinan, Monica; Carroll, Teresa; Chaney, Lia; Collier, Gabriel; Craft, Catherine; Craft, Tasha; Doby, Kennan; Downing, Alison; Eggleston, Zubin; Erickson, Jonathan; Estribou, Cristina; Feinberg, Jeremy; Franklin, Erren; Garnero, Allisa; Gau, Terra Lynn; Gendelman, Ashley; Green, Kalli; Handel, Melissa; Haney, Adam; Harlan, Aaron; Hawes, Guy; Hawthorne, Taylor; Hennessy, Michael; Hohler, Daniel; Johnston, Meghan; Koontz, Jenilee; Kunz, Kris; Liss, Kate; Manke, Scott; Marazzo, Alaina; McWhirter, Darren; Meckel, Moya, Miller, Sandy; Modir, Amir; Morris, Jay; Munoz, Evelina; Parsons, Brooke; Peccianti, Anna; Pennington, Gina; Perkins, Seth; Richards, Judson; Roos, Tasha; Root, Mary; Ruskell, Lauren; Sakasegawa, Karl; Scott, Angel; Sherman, Abraham; Soskin, Josh; Sparling, Bradley; Struve, Adam; Thatcher, Scott; Ushakoff, Lana; Van Allen, Jenny; Velasquez, Douglas; Walker, Andrea; Warcken, Ryan; Weber, Nathan; West, Christina; Westphal, Creystal; Whisler, Laurel, White, Gueren; Wright, Ian; Yee, Jennifer; and Zanetta, Sabrina.

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With Moratorium in Balance

Cal-Am to Try New Treatment For Paralta's Sulphur Smell

With the possible end of the area's building moratorium in the balance, Cal-Am Water Co. plans to test a new way of eliminating the sulphur smell that has held up use of the new Paralta well in Seaside.

Jerry Haas, the company's operations manager, said if the use of ozone treatment is successful, it could mean that the well will be brought on stream fairly quickly. But he declined to set a particular date.

Completed at a cost of nearly $1 million, the Paralta well was expected to provide so-called "new water" that the water management district said was necessary before it would lift its ban on new construction which was imposed in January of 1991.

The well was supposed to be ready to go more than a year ago, but has been held up in a dispute between Cal-Am and the water management district and Seaside over the transport and use of chemicals to treat the sulphur which makes the water smell like rotten eggs.

The controversy, in part at least, is believed to stem from long-standing disagreements between the city and the water management district and Seaside's ambitious plans to be a key player in the use of Fort Ord once the Army leaves. Seaside's plans to develop part of Fort Ord would hinge on the availability of water.

Exacerbated by the recession, the moratorium has drawn bitter criticism and even calls for the abolition of the water management district. Contractors and building tradesmen say their ranks have been decimated by it.

Haas said the proposed new method of treatment would not require the use of any chemicals since the ozone would be created at the site with simple electricity and water. He said if a test proves successful, a facility to house the process would also be much simpler and quicker to build than the treatment facility requiring other chemicals.

He also said the need to do an environmental impact report, as ordered by the Seaside City Council, would be eliminated if the ozone treatment proves successful. Seaside has selected a consultant to do the so-called focused EIR at a cost of $42,000, but Haas said Cal-Am wanted to complete the ozone test before committing to pay for it.

"Overall, it (ozone) is so much less complicated," Haas said.

He said ozone has been widely used as a disinfectant in water, but was just recently found to also eliminate the sulphur smell in an instance "back east."

"We just stumbled on it," he said.

He added that the ozone treatment would not only be cheaper and quicker to put in place, but "we're worried that the EIR is not going to be positive."

He said the ozone treatment had been tried on a well near the Paralta well and worked successfully. Pumping changes need to be made at Paralta and permission obtained from Fort Ord to discharge water on it before the test can proceed, he said.

"I don't think we'll have any trouble getting permission from Fort Ord," he added, noting all the rain in the area recently.

Haas said that Cal-Am already had a permit to use the Paralta well, but did not have permission to transport and use chemicals at the well.

For planning purposes, the water management district has rated Paralta as being able to produce 1,000-acre feet of water a year, but officials have indicated it might be much stronger than that.

With an eye clearly on Fort Ord, Seaside at one point started to challenge the water management district's authority to control the water in the Seaside basin, suggesting it wanted to drill wells for its own use there. But city officials later backed away from that position.

"Milk Shrine" Tree Ornament Sale Aids First Murphy

Carmel's First Murphy Committee is selling handpainted Christmas tree ornaments modeled after an historic milk shrine this season to raise funds to help support the restored house.

Organizers said the milk shrine ornament is patterned after one that now sits in front of First Murphy and once belonged to Mrs. Ella Reid Harrison, who gave the funds to found the main Carmel library.

First Murphy, so named because it was the first house ever built by M. J. Murphy, who went on to become the area's master builder, was restored with donated funds and labor. Built in 1097 when Murphy was just 17, it now sits on a city lot at Fifth and Lincoln and is open to the public.

In addition to the milk shrine—a place to leave bottled milk outside homes when it was still delivered daily to residences—a limited number of ornaments depicting the First Murphy house itself will be available. Introduced last year, this ornament sold out quickly.

Ornaments are on sale at Derek Rayne, Ltd., on Ocean Avenue and at Caspia Flowers & Gifts in Su Vecino Court, opposite Bud's Pub.

Ornaments also will be for sale Friday, Dec. 18, when residents are invited to celebrate the holidays with tea, sandwiches and sweets at First Murphy. Tea will be served from 2 to 4 p.m. and is free.

First Murphy is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., staffed by volunteers. It will be closed Christmas Eve Day, Christmas and New Years.

Carmel Can Prepay Rio Park Debt

Carmel was advised by its bond counsel, Paul G. Dinkelspiel of San Francisco, that there was no problem under applicable federal tax law with a proposed prepayment by the city of $460,000 of the debt on its $1.75 million Rio Park purchase.

The city had sought advice on whether or not it could pay down some of the principal by using Certificates of Participation taken out for improvements. The agreement calls for 20 annual principal payments of $20,000 plus interest at 8.9 percent per annum.

Dinkelspiel referred the question of prepayment to the law firm of Jones Hall Hill & White which told him that, in the opinion of its federal tax attorney, "Recent rulings from the IRS have made it clear that the IRS favors the early retirement of tax-exempt debt from any unspent bond proceeds.

"The reason for this, obviously, is that the IRS has a general preference for the reduction in the amount of outstanding tax-exempt debt, since it is viewed as a drain on the federal treasury."

The city has yet to approve plans to develop the 6.5 acre parcel as a park with a baseball field and other improvements although it took out Certificates of Participation for $850,000 at the time of the purchase for acquisition and improvement. Prepayment of $460,000 in February would stall any improvement plans.

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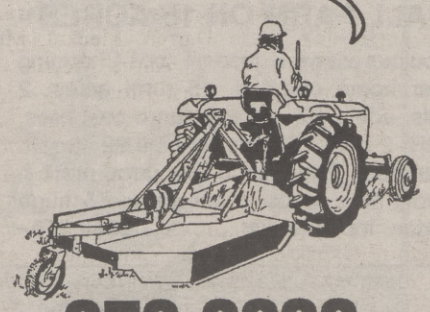

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BY MARK EATON

Last week we discussed the basics of dormant season spraying of fruit trees; particularly peach trees and nectarine trees, which benefit from two applications several weeks apart.

Not only the aforementioned trees benefit from dormant spraying. Most deciduous plants will be the better for it if included in your winter spray regime.

Roses, deciduous fruit trees, deciduous ornamental trees and deciduous large shrubs are included in this category. As mentioned in the last column there are different sprays for specific purposes.

Dormant oil sprays (often sold as Volck Oil) are used to control overwintering mites and insects, such as scale and certain caterpillars, by coating their bodies and suffocating them.

Lime-sulfur and fixed copper help to protect against diseases like peach leaf curl, bacterial leaf sport, shot-hole fungus, scab, brown rot and others. I prefer copper spray but some feel better control of peach leaf curl is achieved with lime-sulfur. Do not apply lime-sulfur to apricots, use copper instead.

In our mild winter region, deciduous shrubs and trees often will not go completely dormant. In this case one should strip off as many of the old leaves as practical but don't knock yourself out trying to get every last one, especially on mature trees. Dried up or mummified fruit should be picked off as well. These can harbor insects and disease. Raking up underneath the tree is just as important as removing excess leaves and "mummies." make sure when spraying the trees you spray the soil underneath, the insect and disease organisms are often present there.

In the event of rain one needs to be careful in timing their dormant spraying. If it rains within 48 hours, you should spray again. if it is only a light rain and you did a combination spray with dormant oil, don't bother to re-apply, it should be okay.

Modern fruit tree growers no longer try to eliminate all pests. Instead they try to maintain a balance between the pests and the pests' natural predators. You too might view the pest problem as a matter of balance. A certain number of pests may exist on plants through the growing season, but they provide food for the predators to hold them in check. As long as nature maintains a balance and the pests stay under control the plants in your garden will remain generally healthy.

Dormant spraying is a relatively cheap insurance policy to get your fruit trees, roses and deciduous ornamentals off to a good start next spring. The chemicals used are of a much lower toxicity than many of the growing season sprays. Dormant spraying in the next several weeks will make your gardening more enjoyable later, and it's good common sense of which best gardeners I know have plenty.

MPC Band Will Give Free Concert

The Monterey Peninsula Concert Band will present a free holiday concert at 3 p.m. on Sunday at the Music Hall, Monterey Peninsula College. The concert will include a variety of traditional and contemporary holiday favorites.

THE FOREST AND BEACH DEPARTMENT aided by members of Friends of Carmel Forest gave away 900 pine seedlings last weekend. The seedlings were handed out following the arrival of Santa Claus at Devendorf Park Friday night and on Saturday morning at the Post Office. *Sun photo by Isabelle Hall*

2016 Proposes Monterey Pine Restoration

A draft Monterey Pine Restoration Program by the 2016 Committee was received by the Carmel City Council Tuesday and forwarded to the Forest and Beach Commission for comment.

The nine-point plan proposes a block-by-block survey to determine where new pines can be planted on public property in the residential zone. It stems from a recent survey that showed the Monterey Pine population was down 6 percent over the past 20 years.

Other suggestions include finding a way to bring all private property up to code with respect to "lot coverage" to increase water percolation; favoring native shrubs for open space landscaping; and removing asphalt on public rights-of-way between front property lines and the street to create informal open space and pine locations; and creation of a native Monterey Pine nursery at Rountree Arboretum using volunteers.

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The Sun makes every effort to report these sales accurately, but anyone should consult a Realtor or other investment professional before taking action based on this information.

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CAMINO REAL Robert B. and Stephen M. Aker to Clyn Smith III. $462,500.

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24498 SAN MATEO AVENUE. Peterson Goodwyn Conway VII to Robert W. and Melissa F. Eason. $176,000.

25418 HWY 1. Louise M. Keen to John F. and Karen D. Egan. $590,000.

Carmel Valley

74 UPPER CIRCLE. Norman Wm. Miller to Jon R. and Sandra J. Kasky. $165,000.

CALLE DE LA SABE. John I. and Judith K. Pospishil to Roy R. and Donna B. Woods. $272,000.

605 VIA LA ESTRELLA. Paul F. and Kathleen A. Matray to John I. and Judith K. Pospishil. $360,500.

350 BARBARA WAY. Susan J. Wildau to Roger S. and Lorri Kaufman. $285,000.

24 VIRGINIA WAY. Steven M. and Cathleen M. S. Proulx to Jerry C. and Tracey B. Gates. $269,000.

49 PASO MEDIANO. Clyn Smith III to Helen M. Rose. $235,000.

Pebble Beach

1000 WRANGLERS TRAIL. Carol E. Armstrong to Michael M. and Phyllis A. Shea. $436,000.

990 CORAL DRIVE. Barbara L. Walton to Lionel G. Klaus. $525,000.

Cachagua Fire Plan Meeting is Tonight

A public meeting for people who want information about Cachagua fire service options will be held tonight at 7 p.m. at the Cachagua Fire Station.

The meeting was scheduled in advance of a Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) session at 7 p.m. on Dec. 15 in Salinas to consider the proposed formation of a special Cachagua fire protection district.

Two other fire service options are available to Cachagua residents. The area could be combined with County Service Area 61 which serves King City and Arroyo Seco or with the Carmel Valley Fire Department.

Chris Pentony, the chief petitioner for Cachagua's fire district formation, said comparisons of costs of each option and means of governance will be compared at tonight's meeting.

At a meeting Friday, Pentony said Chief Bill Sims of the Carmel Valley Fire Department said $31,000 might be available through emergency Special District Augmentation Funds (SDAF) to fund the annexation of Cachagua into Carmel Valley.

"I have to say when we started this petition process, things looked different than they do today," Pentony said. A Cachagua volunteer firefighter, Pentony said he is interested in the highest level of service possible for Cachagua. "I think cost is not the only consideration," Pentony said. How the fire service is governed is also a concern in the remote community in east Carmel Valley, Pentony said.

White Oak Commercial Project Proposed in Center of CV Village

Plans to construct nearly 5,000 square feet of new commercial and retail space at White Oak Plaza in the center of Carmel Valley Village are scheduled to go before the County Planning Commission Wednesday.

Architect Paul Davis, who designed the project for owner Henry Ryu, said he knew of no opposition. He said plans called for the preservation of all old oaks on the property and construction of three, small, single story buildings with wooden siding and windows.

Their design will help maintain the character of the Village as reflected in the historic milk house on the property which now is home to the Iron Kettle Restaurant, he said.

One of two residential rentals on the property at Carmel Valley Road and Paso Hondo will be demolished as part of the project and the other will be renovated and turned into commercial space, he said. The building housing Dr. Maurice Corbett's orthodontics practice will not be affected.

Davis said his plan provides for the buildings to be located among the oaks with patios and walkways connecting them and calls for a pathway along the western edge of the property leading to the White Oak Condominiums. He also said he and Ryu had talked to the county about prohibiting parking on the shoulder of Paso Hondo parallel to the proposed new pathway.

Recommended for approval on a 6-1 vote by the Upper Carmel Valley Advisory Committee, the project would result in a total of some 7,000 square feet of new or rehabilitated commercial space.

The Planning Commission hearing on the project is scheduled for 11 a.m. in Salinas.

Asked how the project could proceed in the face of the water management district's building moratorium, Davis, a former member of the water district board, said the project met the requirement to reduce historic water use by at least 80 percent. "Commercial property uses very little water compared to a residence," he said.

The plan provides for at least one parking space for each 250 square feet of space, as required, and will provide for a one-way exit from the property's parking area onto Paso Hondo, he added.

In saying he knew of no opposition to the plan, Davis acknowledged that residents "got stirred up" about three years ago when Ryu proposed building a small inn on the property now slated for the new commercial space.

Season's First Whales Seen

Dr. John Ratcliffe, a retired surgeon who lives at Yankee Point, reported he and his wife saw the first migrating whales go past their home just before noon Saturday.

"We saw about 15 spouts," Ratcliffe told the *Sun*.

Sightings off the coast will be common for the next several months as California Grey whales make their annual migration to Baja California for the calving season.

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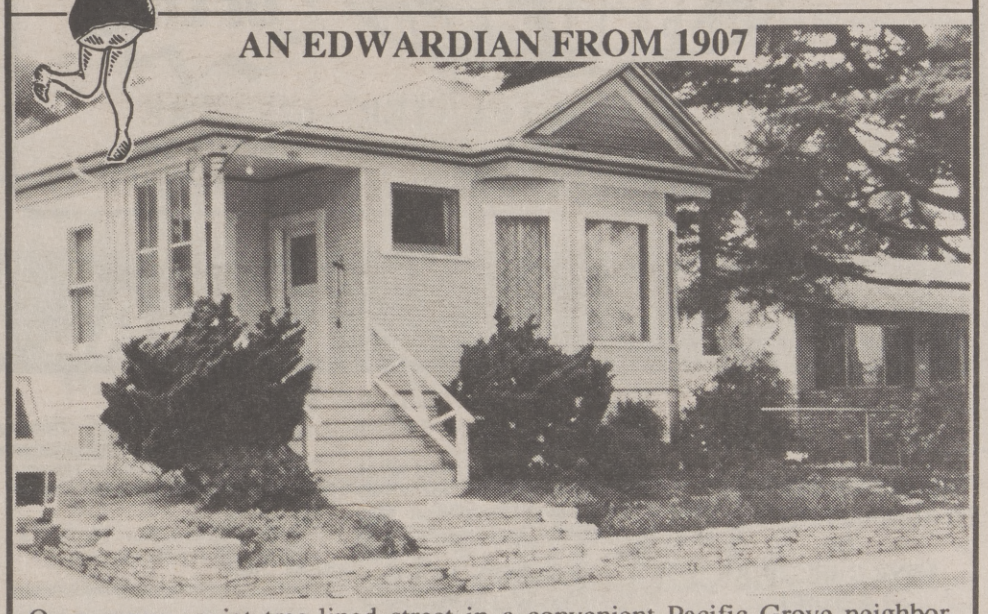

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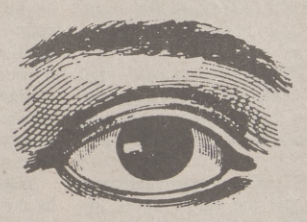

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December Good to Area So Far

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compared to 1.85 inches on the same date last year and normal precipitation for the date of 3.97 inches.

In Monterey, Dr. Renard reported he recorded 3.36 inches from the December storms as of Wednesday morning. For the rain year, his totals were 4.66. Last year, he had recorded just 2.10 by Dec. 9. Average for the date is 4.49 inches, he said.

At San Clemente dam, Cal-Am Water Co. gauges recorded 1.64 inches from the two storms—.51 on Dec. 3, .01 on Dec. 4, .07 on Dec. 6, .96 on Dec. 7, .05 on Dec. 8 and .04 on Dec. 9.

Renard, retired head of the Navy Postgraduate School meteorology department and longtime volunteer weather observer in Monterey, said it was very rare for a funnel cloud to touch down on the Central Coast, thus becoming a tornado. He said funnel clouds themselves were not particularly rare, most often occurring in February.

On hearing of the damage at the golf course, Renard said he asked damage assessment experts from the National Weather Service office in Redwood City to investigate. Their initial verdict was that the damage was caused by a tornado.

No serious injuries were reported but some windows were reported blown out. Trees and many limbs were downed, knocking out power to several thousand PG&E customers on the peninsula Sunday night.

Renard said barometric pressure rose sharply at the time the golf course damage occurred. But he said at his station just a few miles away, the highest wind speed he recorded was 31 miles an hour.

Darby Fuerst, water resources manager for the water management district, said, "Most of the rain has been down the coast." But he said runoff had been flowing into Los Padres dam since Sunday, raising it by some 130 acre feet.

"That's not a lot," he said, "but prior to that it had been dropping about 10 acre feet a day."

Photo Center to Hold Art Sale

The Center for Photographic Art will hold a Holiday Art Sale at Sunset Center Dec.14-20. Photographic prints and fine art photographic books will be for sale from noon to 6 p.m. each day.

Carmel High Plans Fashion Show

The Carmel High School Regional Occupational Program Fashion Merchandising class will present a holiday fashion show Sunday at 2 p.m. at the Monterey Conference Center. Tickets are $8 in advance or $10 at the door. They may be purchased at Nicole Miller's in the Carmel Plaza or at the high school. Proceeds will benefit the Salvation Army, Peninsula Outreach, and the fashion merchandising class.

Carmel Approves Labor Contract

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satisfactory" rating.

Health benefits were cut, Pullen said, with employees receiving reductions in some of their benefits. Carmel is self-funded for health insurance.

Under the health plan, deductibles remain at $100 per employee but hospital benefits are cut from 100 percent with the deductible waived to 80 percent.

A visit to the emergency room was covered at 100 percent but now the employee would have to pay 10 percent of the cost. And, in an effort to reduce unnecessary emergency room visits, a separate deductible of $100 per visit will be charged for non-emergency illness or accident treatment there. Prescription drugs currently paid at an 80 percent rate would call for individual co-pays of $5 to $10 depending on the type of drug and supply. The plan currently pays 80 percent of physician office visits, laboratory tests and x-rays. This would increase to 90 percent if Doctors on Duty is used.

Once the deductibles are paid, the plan will pay its percentage up to the first $2,000 and then pay 100 percent of charges.

The 11.5 percent increase will cost the city $223 a year for a single employee compared with the $200 currently paid.

The Memorandum of Understanding contains language that says, "When salaries are compared to agreed-upon surrounding municipalities, many employee positions are underpaid. This disparity is recognized in each agreement along with the city's intent to bring salary/benefits levels equal to the average of the surrounding municipalities when the city's fiscal condition makes such adjustments feasible."

Pullen said, "I'm glad it has come to an agreement. All three groups are to be commended for recognizing the fiscal constraints in the city. They negotiated from that point of view."

In his report to the council, Pullen said the resolution it approved, "is the result of many hours of frank and open discussions with negotiators for the General, Management and Firefighters employees associations. It must be stressed that each of these groups recognized the difficult fiscal decisions facing the city and should be congratulated for the cooperation, willingness to help and concern expressed during the negotiating process."

He said a proposal to raise the cost of the Health Protection Plan 22 percent which was given to the city in May plus the sluggish economy and state fiscal crisis all "directly affected salary/benefit negotiations."

Carmel High Students Perform *Mrs. California*

Carmel High School students will present *Mrs. California*, a comedy in which married women from different California cities compete for the Mrs. California title. The play will show tonight, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. in the high school theater, room two.

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CASE # 12320

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A PETITION has been filed by WILLIAM JOSEPH LA BORN in the Superior Court of California, County of Monterey.

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A HEARING on the petition will be held on December 18, 1992 at 9:30 A.M. in Dept. A located at 1200 Aguajito Road, Monterey, California 93940.

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Filed November 13, 1992
File No. F921864

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(s) Robert Vernon Duckett

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File No. F921939

The following person(s) is (are) doing business as:
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(s) Elizabeth McNeely

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(s) Robert Wagner Jr.

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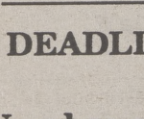

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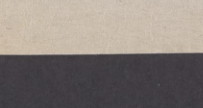

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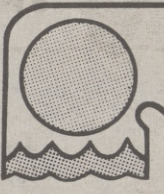

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Padre Hoopsters Off to Strong Start

The Carmel High boy's basketball team knocked off Seaside High Tuesday night, running the Padres' season record to 4-1 and establishing them as one of the early favorites to win the Mission Trail Athletic League.

Warming up for the start of MTAL play in January, Coach Rich Franks' Padres have exhibited skill and experience—plus a maturity they sometimes lacked last year. As essentially a sophomore squad, Carmel tied for third place in the MTAL with a 6-6 record last season and went to the semifinals of the Central Coast Section playoffs before being beaten.

Against Seaside, the Padres' maturity was evident as they executed a patient half-court offense that earned them easy scores from within the paint. The final score was 69-57, with R. J. Powell leading all scorers with 22 points.

The Padres' first loss of the new season came on the final night of the Monterey Bay Basketball Invitational at MPC Saturday, when Lam Bui of highly ranked Andrew Hill of San Jose hit two free throws in the closing seconds to seal a 49-46 victory. Carmel had pulled to within one point when Powell connected on a three-pointer.

Top scorers for the Padres in the loss were Ryan Edwards with 12, Powell with 11 and Ben Fahrer with 10.

In the opening game of the tourney, Carmel ran roughshod over Galena, a new school in Reno which has no senior class. The score was 56-35. Nate Stiles and Fahrer led Carmel scoring with 13 each, while point guard Powell picked up 11.

Monterey High won the tournament, beating Galena and Andrew Hill, which is ranked seventh in the state among Division II schools.

Earlier Powell scored 18 to lead Carmel over Monte Vista of Watsonville 63-56 in a non-league game. Jason Lindgren had 12, while Stiles, Edwards and Dean Wilson scored 11 apiece.

In their first outing of the year, Carmel easily handled Pinewood 74-46 in a non-league game, with Powell scoring 24.

Against Seaside, Lindgren scored 14, Fahrer 12 and Stiles and Edwards chipped in with 8 apiece.

Denial Recommended for Carmel Heron Rookery Building Proposal

The County Planning Department has recommended denial of an application to build a single family home on a Carmel lot containing an eucalyptus tree grove which provides a nesting rookery for black crowned night herons.

The Planning Commission will consider the application for the property at the corner of Ocean View and Stewart Wednesday at 11 a.m. in Salinas.

The staff report calls the lot an environmentally sensitive habitat, specifically citing the eucalyptus grove and the herons. It also said no water connection is available for the project under the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's building moratorium.

Judge D. Brooke Bartlett of Kansas City, trustee for the the 6,303-square-foot lot, earlier offered to sell it if the county wants to preserve the eucalyptus grove for the birds.

The proposed 2,821-square-foot home would require removal of 4 cypress and 43 eucalyptus trees from the lot, and in October, the Carmel Area Advisory Committee unanimously recommended denial of the project.

The herons have been nesting in the eucalyptus trees for about 10 years. A biological report by Vernal L. Yadon of Pacific Grove said if the trees were cut down the birds might go to the eucalyptus groves at Bay School, Lake El Estero or the Naval Post Graduate School or simply cease to nest on the peninsula.

Yadon also said no other nesting rookery for the black crowned night herons is known in Monterey County nor could one be located in Santa Cruz County. The birds nest in numerous species of trees and are found throughout the United States, Southern Canada and Baja, Mexico. The California Fish and Game Department rates them as "a species of special concern" but not endangered, Yadon said.

The lot is within an an area designated as environmentally sensitive habitat by the Carmel Area Land Use Plan and the Monterey County Coastal Implementation Plan, the report said.

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